著者近影

■戦乱続く国々の時代に、一匹の子狼が生まれた。天地志狼、名軍師孫子の末裔である志狼は、やがて中原に身を投じ、戦乱の世を駆けぬけていく。志狼は成長するにつれて、数奇な運命に翻弄されていくのだが……。三国志最大の英雄、曹操の登場!!

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THE LEGEND OF THE DRAGON'S SON (SUMMARY OF VOLUME 2)

AFTER THE DEVASTATING DEFEAT OF CAO REN, SHIRO NOW SPENDS SOME PEACEFUL DAYS AT LIU BEI'S COURT. LEARNING MARTIAL ARTS AND SPENDING SOME TIME WITH MASUMI. WHEN SUDDENLY, A MAN KNOWN AS KONG MING EMERGES TO REMIND OUR HERO OF HIS DESTINY AND, IN THE PROCESS, AWAKENS THE AWARENESS OF THE "DRAGON'S SON"! REFUSING TO HEAR THE TRUTH WITH AN ULTIMATE ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE THE DUTY THAT BINDS HIM TO THIS ROLE; SHIRO CHOOSES TO LEAVE HIS COMPANIONS BEHIND...

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前巻まで——

修学旅行中の飛行機が、突如現われた〝竜〟に襲われ、中学生の志狼とますみがさらわれてしまった。〝竜〟は二人を〝三国志〟の時代に運れ去ったのだ。

時は西暦二〇七年。劉備が守る荊州・新野に曹操軍将軍、曹仁が攻めいる、その戦場に二人はおり立った。二人は劉備軍軍師、徐庶に救われたが、徐庶はそのため瀕死の重傷を負ってしまった。

徐庶の遺言により劉備軍の軍師を命じられた志狼は曹仁を智略により敗走させたのだが……。乱世に巻きこまれた二人の運命は!?

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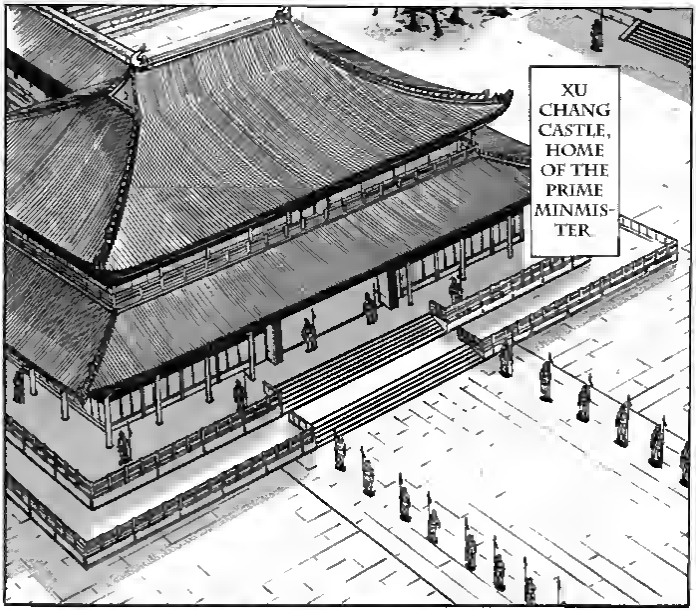
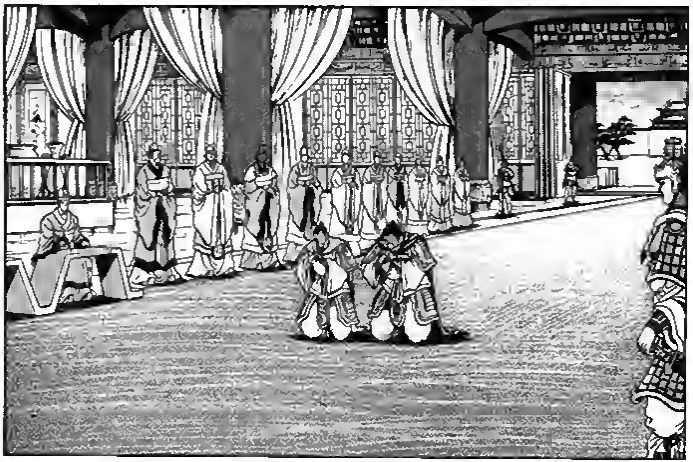
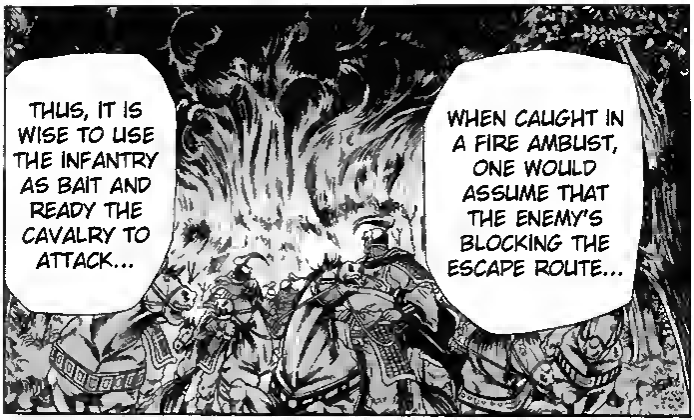

XU CHANG CASTLE, HOME OF THE PRIME MINMIS-TER.



I'M THE ONLY ONE TO BLAEM FOR THIS DEFEAT. PUNISH ME IF YOU MUST.
PRIME MINIS-TER,
I DEEPLY REGRET MY CARELESSNESS IN THIS BATTLE. DO WITH ME AS YOU SEE FIT.
I ALSO FAILED TO FORESEE THE EVENTS, MY LOARD.
HMM ...

DO NOT WORRY, YOU ARE FORGIVEN...
NO MAN COULD ACHIEVE A HUNDRED VICTORIES OUT OF A HUNDRED BATTLES...
CAO CAO
PRIME MINISTER OF THE WEI KINGDOM
ENOUGH! GET SOME REST FOR NOW...
BUT, MY LORD...
YES, MY LORD...

XUN HUO!
YES, MY LORD ...
WHAT DO YOU THINK ...
OF THIS "DRAGON'S SON"?
THIS TURN OF EVENTS WAS UNEXPECTED...
THIS IS WHY WE LOST...
BUT THE PLANNING OF THESE TRAPS AND THEIR ABILITY...
TO FORESEE CAO REN'S TACTICS ARE A DANGER TO US.



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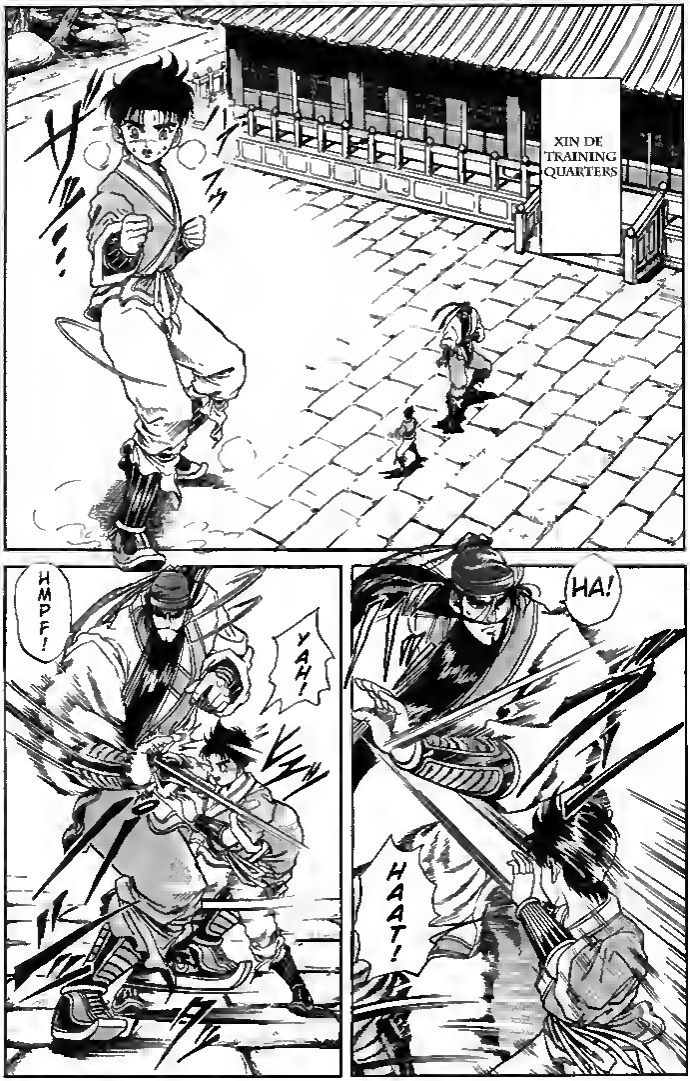
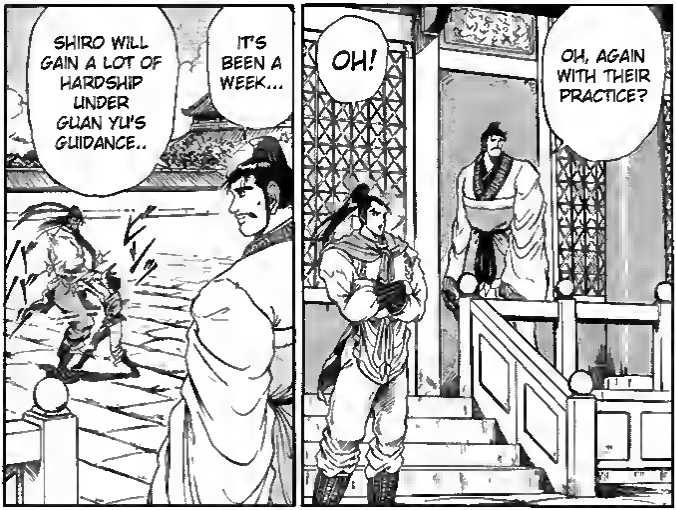
WHY DO THE STRONGEST PEOPLE GATHER AROUND YOU?!
FIRST GUAN YU... AND NOW EVEN THE DRAGON.
LIU BEI, YOU SICKEN ME!
HA!
I'LL FIND A WAY TO MAKE YOU JOIN MY ARMY SOON ENOUGH!
IT DOESN'T MATTER... THE DRAGON'S SON WILL BE MINE!


XIN DE TRAINING QUARTERS
HMPF!
YAH!
HA!
HAAT!

MOVE AS IF YOU WERE ABOUT TO CRUSH A ROCK!
DON'T RELY ON YOUR UPPER BODY!
OKAY!
YOUR PUNCHES LACK POWER!


SHIRO WILL GAIN A LOT OF HARDSHIP UNDER GUAN YU'S GUIDANCE..
IT'S BEEN A WEEK...
OH!
OH, AGAIN WITH THEIR PRACTICE?

HE WOULDN'T HAVE MADE THE WISH TO LEARN IF HE DIDN'T.
HE HAS HIS REASONS FOR THAT...
BUT WHY WOULD A MILITARY STRATEGIST PARACTICE MARTIAL ARTS?
YES...
WELL... IF YOU PUT IT THAT WAY...
DID YOU FORGET THE LIAN HUA INCIDENT? I THINK LEARNING SOMETHING NEW WOULD BE FOR THE BEST...
JUST REMEMBERING IT MAKE ME SWEAT
THAT'LL BE ALL FOR TODAY!
...
UWAAH!

GUAN YU!
THANK YOU FOR TEACHING ME!
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PANT ...
YET YOU SEEM TO HAVE GROWN KEEN OF IT AS OF LATE...
YOU WERE AVERSE TO SHIRO'S INITIATION IN THE MARTIAL ARTS...
I FEEL IN HIM THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME A GREAT WARRIOR...
SHOULD I CALL IT INSTINCT?
フ...

OH ...
HAVE YOU TAKEN INTEREST IN BOTH LIAN HUA AND HIME NOW?
YES...
YET THEY HAVE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT STYLES.
LIAN HUA USES THE "TIGER" STYLE. ABUNDANT AND AGILE MOVEMENTS TO CONFUSE HER ENEMY.
THAT STYLE SUITS HER BEST SINCE SHE HAS THE INNATE TALENT NEEDED TO MASTER IT...
HOWEVER, SHIRO'S STYLE IS DIFFERENT.
HE'S THE "SOLID" TYPE.

HE MOVES ONLY TO STRIKE DEADLY BLOWS...
AND NEEDS NO MORE THAN A SINGLE HIT TO DEFEAT AN ENEMY.
LIAN HUA'S KUNG FU IS VOLATILE AND HARD TO PREDICT.
BUT AFTER THAT SHIRO'S STYLE HAS MATURED ...
I'M AFRAID THAT NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO COUNTER HIS BLOWS.
NOT EVEN MYSELF ...

EXCUSE ME...
LORD LIU BEI, CAN YOU PLEASE LEND ME A HORSE?
I'D LIKE TO GO TO TOWN AND PRACTICE A LITTLE.
OF COURSE, JUST PICK THE HORSE YOU LIKE.
WOW! THANK YOU♡
IS THAT SO...
THE ABILITIES OF THE DRAGON'S SON WILL NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE ME...

I'VE BEEN WANTING TO RIDE A HORSE FOR A WHILE! ♡
SO COOL!
HE STILL ISN'T MUCH DIFFERENT FROM CHILDREN OF HIS AGE, DON'T YOU AGREE?
TRUE.
?
THIS REMINDS ME... HAS ANYONE GLIMPSED THE DRAGON PRINCESS?
SHE WENT DOWNTOWN EARLIER.
MAYBE SHE GOT JADED OF BEING INSIDE THE CITADEL FOR SO LONG.
ZHANG FEI EVEN OFFERED TO BE HER GUIDE!
I THINK HE'S GOT A CRUSH ON HER...

SHE'S BEAUTIFUL! WHY IS SHE SO CLOSE TO MASTER ZHANG FEI?
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OH, IT'S THE DRAGON PRINCESS!
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...
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I WANT EVERYONE TO SEE US TOGETHER!
THAT'S SO COOL!
YOU DO HAVE A POINT...
WELL...
BUT THAT MAKES ME THE CENTER OF ATTRACTION...
I'D RATHER WALK ON MY OWN...
GENERAL...
!?
YOU'LL GET A BETTER VIEW OF THE CITY FROM UP THERE!
NO NEED TO BE SO POLITE WITH ME..

SEEING THE TOWN REALLY MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I'M IN YOUR HAN KINGDOM...
. . .
"YOUR"? SO YOU REALLY DO LIVE IN THE DRAGON KINGDOM?!
DRAGON KINGDOM?
クス?
YOU COULD SAY THAT...
SINCE IT'S SO FAR AWAY... BEYOND THE SKY ITSELF...

YOU'REALL MOST PROBABLY WORRIED SICK BY NOW, AREN'T YOU?
MOM... DAD... NORIKO... AND EVERYONE ELSE...
THE VACATION SHOULD HAVE ENDED BY NOW... SHIRO WOULD HAVE GONE BACK TO TEASING ME... AND NORIKO WOULD SCOLD HIM AS USUAL...
WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT?
I'M SORRY... I DIDN'T MEAN TO... I...
ポロポロ
CHEER UP! WHAT'S WRONG?
NO WAIT!
WE'RE IN THIS ERA OF WAR...
BUT INSTEAD OF ALL THIS...
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酒家
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OOOH!!!
WH-WHAT SHOULD I DO? I CAN'T STAND WOMEN'S TEARS!
オロオロ
SCRAM, YOU BRAT!
ガッ
THE GENERAL MADE HER CRY!
I WANT THE BEST WINE THIS SHOP HAS!
OWNER! GIMME SOME-THING TO DRINK!
ALRIGHT THEN!
IF YOU DRINK LOTS, ALL THE SORROW WILL FLY AWAY!
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THIS DRINK IS CALLED "WINE"!
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WAS HE WORRIED ABOUT ME?!

STEADY MOVEMENTS ARE IMPORTANT WHEN RIDING A HORSE
SO I JUST HAVE TO ADAPT TO THE HORSE'S STEPS...
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!!

WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
STOP! RIGHT NOW!
WAAH!
WAAH!
AAAH!
GET OUT OF THE WAY!
UWAH!
AH!
I FORGOT TO ASK ABOUT WAYS TO STOP THIS THING...
STUPID ME...
THAT'S RIGHT ...

!
USE BOTH YOUR FEET TO PRESS ON ITS BELLY.
UGH!
THE BREAKS! WHERE ARE THE BREAKS?
DON'T PANIC... JUST PRESS ON ITS BELLY AND PULL ON THE ROPE CAREFULLY...!
WHAT'S WITH THE WEIRD VOICE?!
CALM DOWN!
WHOEVER SHE MIGHT BE... SHE DOES HAVE A POINT... LET'S DO THIS...

RELAX AND OBEY ME!
HEY! YOU LITTLE DEVIL!
AH!
WHO WAS THAT?
STILL ...
I'M SAVED ...
UHH ...

RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
MENG LAN IS ANGRY!
I'LL KILL YOU!
YOU BROKE MY OIL JARS!
AND NOW YOU MAKE FUN OF ME?
GAH!
I'LL PAY FOR ALL YOUR LOSSES!
LI- LISTEN TO ME FIRST!
! DIDN'T BRING ANY MONEY WITH ME...
OH...

HE'S DEAD MEAT
AH!
I'LL BEAT YOU TO A PULP!
!!
WHAT THE ...?

EH!
UUH ...
ARGH!
ズズズ..
I USED THE TECHNIQUE THAT GUAN YU TAUGHT ME.
THAT CAN'T BE GOOD...
HE DEFEATED MENG LAN IN ONE BLOW!
THAT WAS GREAT!
I'LL REPAY YOU ONCE WE GET TO THE PALACE.
MY NAME'S SHIRO AMACHI...
オロ..
オロ..
I'M REALLY SORRY. ARE YOU OKAY?
UGH!
"オロオロ..

THE DRAGON'S SON
IT'S HIM!
AMACH!?!
WHAT?!
OVER THERE!
THE DRAGON'S HERE?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
REALLY?
ITS THE REAL THING!
AND KILLED CAO REN'S ARMY OF 50,000 IN ONE NIGHT!
HE RODE A DRAGON FROM THE HEAVENS!

CAN YOU TELL US OF YOUR JOURNEYS? ♡
HI, I'M XIE LING!
HEY! GET IN LINE!
MASTER DRAGON, I'M THIS VILLAGE'S ELDER, PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
I ADMIT DEFEAT AND I DON'T NEED ANY REFUNDS! I'D LIKE TO BECOME ONE OF YOUR SOLDIERS!
RIGHT IT'S NORMAL TO LOOSE TO THE DRAGON HIMSELF!
HEY...
!
OVER HERE!
!
WHY DOES THIS KEEP HAPPENING TO ME?!
OH MY!

I'M OVER HERE WITH YOUR HORSE, COME ON!
HMPF!
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ヒヨイ…
EH?
THANKS!
NO SWEAT.
HOLD ON TIGHT!
WE'RE GOING TO SPRINT.

AFTER THEM!
AH!
WASN'T THAT SHIRO?!
HEY!
!
HEY, OWNER! MORE WINE!
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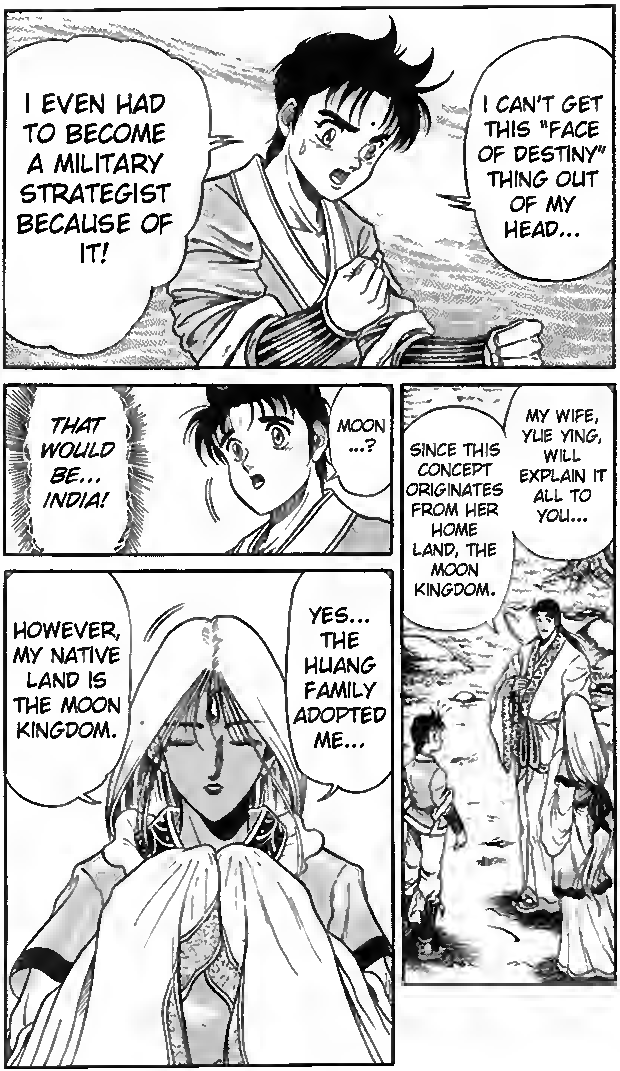
THAT WINE IS SOOO GOOD!
WHO ARE ALL THESE PEOPLE?!
YOU CAN CALL ME BY MY NAME, YOU KNOW.
♡
YOUNG LADY, I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO BE A TOUGH DRINKER!

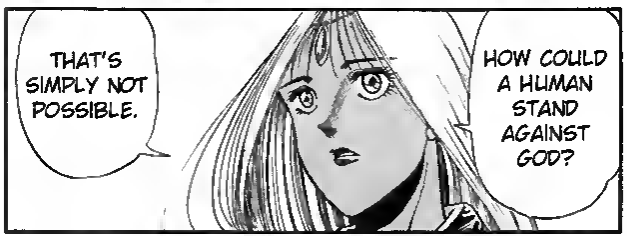
NO NEED TO THANK ME, I NEEDED TO TALK TO YOU. ♡
THANKS FOR BAILING ME OUT...
WE SHOULD BE SAFE NOW.
OH, SORRY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE
HONEY, HE'S HERE.
EH?
EH?!
IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO TALK WITH THE ONE HOLDING THE "FACE OF DESTINY"!
BUT WE CAN FINALLY MEET!

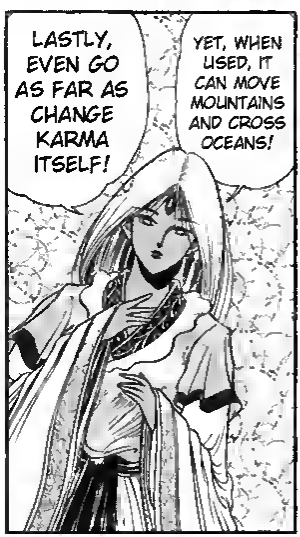
PLEASE EXPLAIN THE MEANING OF THE "FACE OF DESTINY"?
CAN YOU ...
AGAIN WITH THAT?
"THE FACE OF DESTINY ..."
ERRR ... NO...
DON'T YOU KNOW ALREADY?
!
I SEE ...
BUT HE DIED BEFORE I HAD A CHANCE TO ASK HIM ABOUT IT...
THE LATE STRATEGIST DAN FU ALSO TALKED ABOUT THAT...
PLEASE EXPLAIN!
PLEASE ...

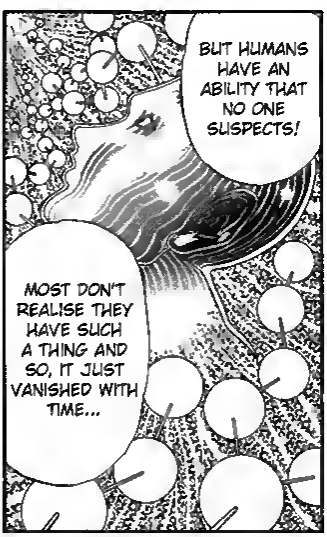

I EVEN HAD TO BECOME A MILITARY STRATEGIST BECAUSE OF IT!
I CAN'T GET THIS "FACE OF DESTINY" THING OUT OF MY HEAD...
THAT WOULD BE... INDIA!
MOON ...?
HOWEVER, MY NATIVE LAND IS THE MOON KINGDOM.
YES... THE HUANG FAMILY ADOPTED ME...
SINCE THIS CONCEPT ORIGINATES FROM HER HOME LAND, THE MOON KINGDOM.
MY WIFE, YUE YING, WILL EXPLAIN IT ALL TO YOU...

IT'S THE "FATE THAT IS GIVEN TO US BY GOD", I READ ABOUT IT...
DO YOU FIRST UNDER-STAND THE CONCEPT OF KARMA?
NOW WHERE DID I HEAR THAT NAME BEFORE?
HUANG YUE YING...
CORRECT, EVERY PERSON'S KARMA IS CONTROLLED BY GOD.
IN THIS ERA OF CHAOS, YOU CAN SAY THAT MOST PEOPLE HAD BAD KARMA.
CROPS ROT, SOLDIERS DIE... LEAVING LOTS OF HARDSHIP BEHIND THEM...
PEOPLE GROW TO BE FARMERS, SOLDIERS, RULERS AND SO MUCH MORE....
HOWEVER, THINGS DON'T ALWAYS TURN OUT LIKE THESE PEOPLE WANTED TO...

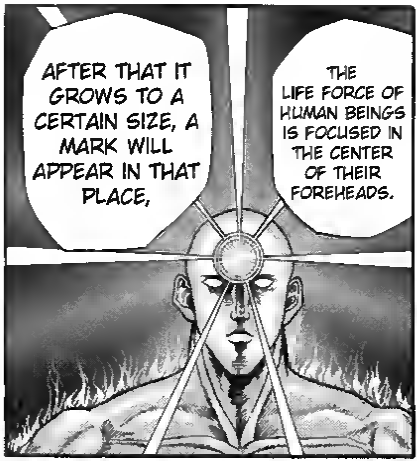
KARMA IS SOMETHING THAT'S BEYOND HUMAN COMPREHEN-SION...
NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU PRAY OR STRUGGLE, YOU CAN'T CHANGE ANY OF THAT...


THAT'S SIMPLY NOT POSSIBLE.
HOW COULD A HUMAN STAND AGAINST GOD?


LASTLY, EVEN GO AS FAR AS CHANGE KARMA ITSELF!
YET, WHEN USED, IT CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS AND CROSS OCEANS!


BUT HUMANS HAVE AN ABILITY THAT NO ONE SUSPECTS!
MOST DON'T REALISE THEY HAVE SUCH A THING AND SO, IT JUST VANISHED WITH TIME...

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE...
A HUMAN BEING IS BORN WITH SUCH AN ABILITY...
THE CHOSEN ONE IS SAID TO HOLD THE "FACE OF DESTINY"!
THAT MOLE ON YOUR FORE-HEAD...
IT'S CALLED "LIN TEN SHI",
THE FIRST OF THE CHOSEN ONE'S ATTRIBUTES.
ス...
WHAT?!
THAT'S JUST AN ORDINARY MOLE!

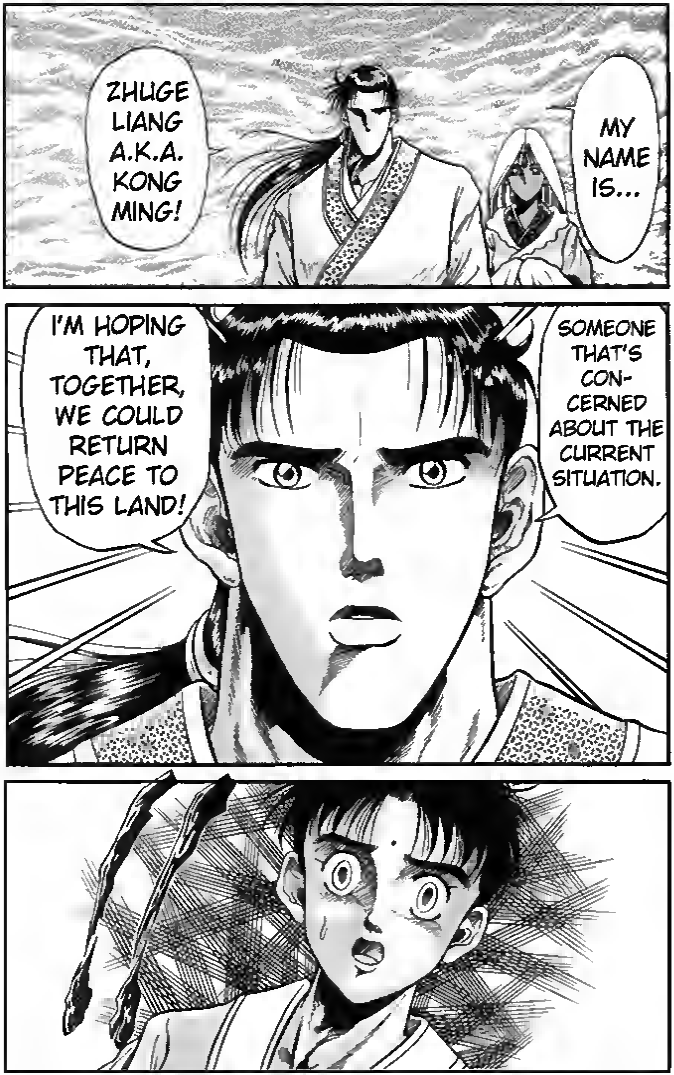

AFTER THAT IT GROWS TO A CERTAIN SIZE, A MARK WILL APPEAR IN THAT PLACE,
THE LIFE FORCE OF HUMAN BEINGS IS FOCUSED IN THE CENTER OF THEIR FOREHEADS.

ANYTHING AS LONG AS IT'S LOCATED ON THE CENTER OF THE FOREHEAD... EVEN A WART...
IT CAN BE MANY THINGS ...
A WART ?!

THAT WILL CHANGE THIS ERA'S FATE AND UNITE THE LAND OF CHINA!
TO MAKE IT SHORT, YOU'RE THE ONE...

INDEED

IS THIS PART OF MY "DUTY" TOO?
I'M THE ONE THAT'LL CHANGE THIS ERA OF WAR?
WHAT?!
THAT CAN'T BE...
THAT...
AND WHO ARE YOU ANYWAY?
WHY ARE YOU GOING THROUGH ALL OF THIS TROUBLE?
HOW CAN YOU BE SURE THAT I'M THE ONE YOU SEEK?
EVEN IF SUCH A PERSON EXISTED ...


ZHUGE LIANG A.K.A. KONG MING!
MY NAME IS...
I'M HOPING THAT, TOGETHER, WE COULD RETURN PEACE TO THIS LAND!
SOMEONE THAT'S CONCERNED ABOUT THE CURRENT SITUATION.

EH?

THIS CAN'T ...
WHAT ?!

BUT I DON'T WISH TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THIS ERA ANY FURTHER!
I CAN'T EVEN BELIEVE I MET YOU IN THESE CIRCUM-STANCES..

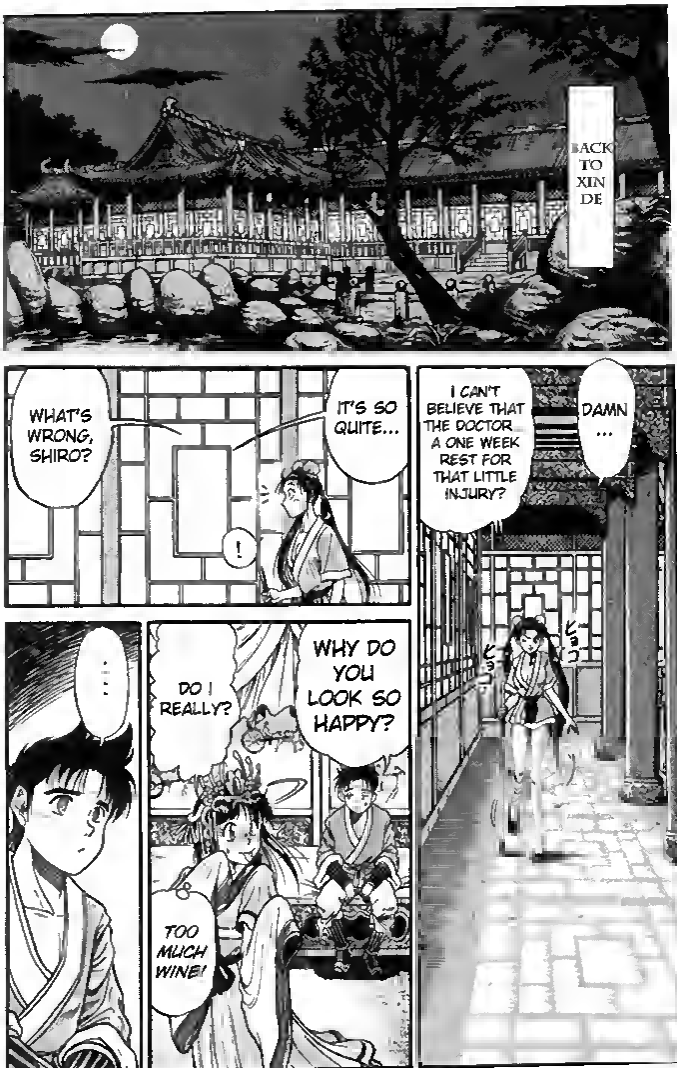
PLEASE FORGIVE ME...
MASTER KONG MING!

INVOLVED?
!

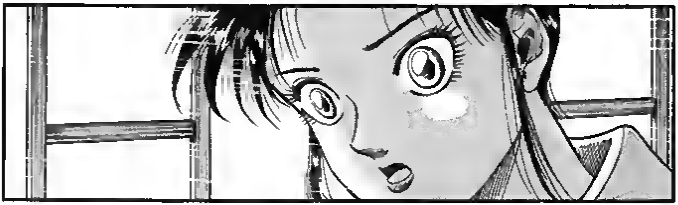
WAIT, SHIRO!
HE JUST RAN OFF ALL OF A SUDDEN!
WHAT'S WITH HIM?
OUR ROADS WILL CROSS AGAIN, SOMEDAY!
LET'S HEAD BACK HOME FOR NOW.
I DON'T THINK HE WANTS TO SEE US AGAIN.
WE SHOULD FOLLOW HIM.

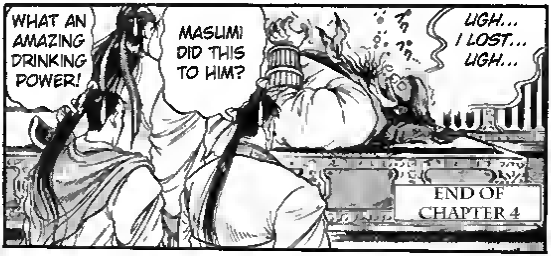
AH...
THAT WAS KONG MING...
BUT I DON'T WANT TO INVOLVE MYSELF IN ALL OF THIS ANYMORE!
WHY DO WE NEED TO FIGHT LIKE THAT?
I'VE SEEN ENOUGH BLOOD-SHED!
(ONES DUTY CREATES ONE'S FATE)
"SHI MING ZHUANG ZAO MING LIAN"
!!
THOSE WORDS ....
HOW CAN I HEAR HER FROM SO FAR AWAY?!

FOR YOU TO BE READY.
WE'LL WAIT...
PLEASE NEVER FORGET THOSE WORDS.
I KNOW THAT YOU CAN HEAR THE VOICE OF MY HEART...
THOSE WORDS ARE THE SAME AS THE ONES MY MOTHER ONCE TOLD ME!
.....
IT'S ALL SO BLURRY IN MY MIND...
WHAT'S THE FACE OF DESTINY"?


BACK TO XIN DE
DAMN ...
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE DOCTOR... A ONE WEEK REST FOR THAT LITTLE INJURY?
IT'S SO QUITE...
WHAT'S WRONG, SHIRO?
!
WHY DO YOU LOOK SO HAPPY?
DO I REALLY?
TOO MUCH WINE!
...

WE WENT TO THE WEI KINGDOM?
WHAT IF ...
MASUMI ...
YES?




WHAT AN AMAZING DRINKING POWER!
MASUMI DID THIS TO HIM?
UGH... I LOST... UGH...
END OF CHAPTER 4

龍狼伝 特別付録

三国志への招待!!

第4回 天才軍師・諸葛孔明①

●三国志の世界で、知略縦横の天才軍師として知られる諸葛孔明。現代の三国志ファンにも人気の高い人物である。いったい孔明とは何者なのか？

伏龍、飛翔を待つ!!

諸葛亮、字は孔明。家は代々、山東の郷邪郡に栄えた名門といわれる。孔明が生まれたのは西暦181年。後漢末の霊帝の時代、数年後に黄巾の乱を控えた頃だ。

孔明が代々住んできた土地を離れたのは黄巾の乱がきっかけであった。当時の戦乱の大陸に生きた民衆は、家や土地を失ったり、肉親を殺されたりと悲惨な運命にあった。孔明とて例外でない。叔父を頼って兄弟とともに南へ疎開した孔明は、その後叔父の戦死など様々な苦難に出会う。最も感受性の豊かな少年期が戦乱の時代と重なったことがその後の孔明の人生を決定したといえる。「戦乱の時代を収め、世に平和をもたらすためには……？」叔父の死後、襄陽付近の草庵で、学問に励む孔明の心の奥底には、常にこのような問いかけがあったことだろう。そして彼は自らの才能を管仲、楽毅（ともに春秋、戦国時代の大戦略家）に比しその志の高さを示した。後の劉備との出会い以前の孔明は、まさしく伏龍、天に飛翔する機をうかがいながら身を休めている龍であった。

単に戦場で采配をふるうだけでなく、一流政治家としての才、発明の才などを併せもった孔明。その真の才能を世に示すには後の劉備との出会いを待たねばならない。

〈文・構成　坂本恒善〉

HI EVERYONE!

HERE'S ANOTHER RE-MADE CHAPTER OF RYUURODEN FOR THE FANS OF THIS SERIES. LOOK FORWARD TO MORE CHAPTERS SOON.

- RAVENOUSREADER

CHAPTER 5:
THE DRAGON HUNTER
WWW.JANKENPON.TK

HEY THERE!
WHY'RE YOU SITTING HERE ALONE?
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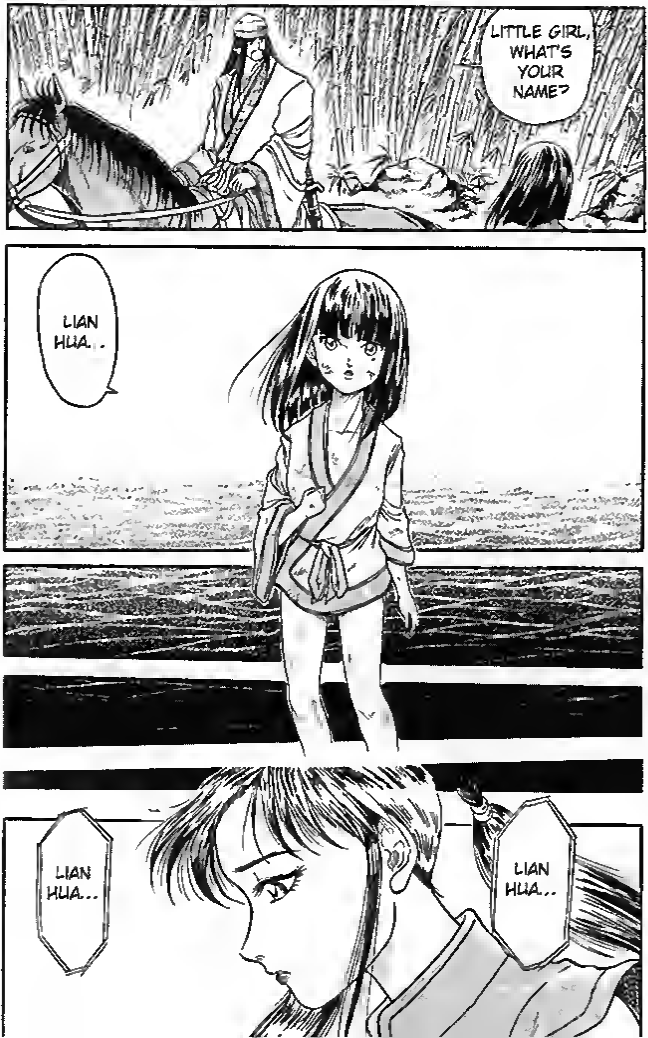
ARE YOU A WARRIOR?
I GUESS SO...
THEN ...

TEACH ME HOW TO FIGHT!
THE MOUNTAIN BANDITS KILLED MY PARENTS. I WANT REVENGE.
OH...
AMAZING... HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO ESCAPE?!
I RAN THROUGH THE WOODS. THEIR HORSES CAN'T CATCH UP WITH ME.
IS THAT SO?
I'M FASTER THAN MOST ADULTS ...
WELL, I TOO ...
AM ON MY WAY TO AVENGE SOMEONE... COULD THIS BE KARMA?


LITTLE GIRL, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
LIAN HUA..
LIAN HUA..
LIAN HUA..

AH?!
LIAN HUA!
OH... SORRY!
YOU'RE GOING THE WRONG WAY!
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ガラガラ…
MY MIND WENT OFF AGAIN!
NO GOOD!

NO MATTER WHAT, I WON'T BE SEPARATED FROM THE BOTH OF YOU!
QUIET!

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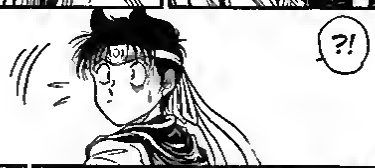
DOES YOUR WOUND HURT THAT MUCH?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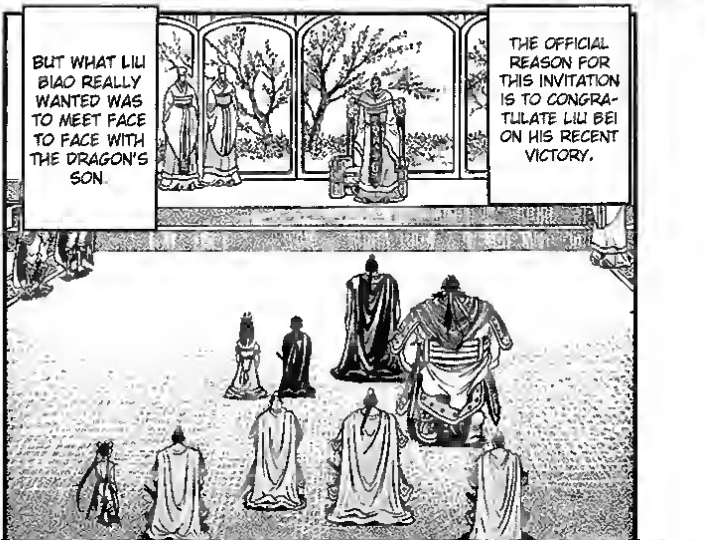
DAMN HIM...

I CAN'T LET HIM LEAVE MY SIGHT...
UNTIL I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS...

OF ALL PLACES, WHY TO WEI?
WHAT IF WE WENT TO THE WEI KINGDOM?

OH! THIS ONE'S EVEN BIGGER THAN THE CITY OF FAN!
gallop
WOW! IT LOOKS HUGE!
OF COURSE IT IS. THAT'S THE CAPITAL OF XING ZHOU!

HOWEVER, GUAN YU WAS LEFT IN THE CITY OF FAN TO GUARD IT.
LIU BEI WAS INVITED TO THE CAPITAL BY ITS GOVERNOR, LIU BIAO.


BUT WHAT LIU BIAO REALLY WANTED WAS TO MEET FACE TO FACE WITH THE DRAGON'S SON.
THE OFFICIAL REASON FOR THIS INVITATION IS TO CONGRATULATE LIU BEI ON HIS RECENT VICTORY.

LORD LIU BEI...
WELCOME AND THANK YOU FOR THE DEFEAT OF CAO REN.
LIU BIAO, GOVERNOR OF THE XING ZHOU PROVINCE
I'M THE ONE THAT SHOULD BE THANKING YOU.
YOU SHOWED GREAT GENEROSITY IN GIVING ME XIN DE.
PLEASE, WE'RE BOTH FROM THE LIU FAMILY, NO NEED FOR SUCH FORMALITIES.
COME, I PREPARED A FEAST TO CELEBRATE YOUR VICTORY.
OH?!
HMM ?!

THE GIRL IS WELL MANNERED BUT WHY IS THE BOY SO NEGLECTED?
COULD THEY BE THE DRAGON'S CHILDREN?
YES.
BESIDES, HE EXPRESSED THE WISH TO WEAR SOMETHING LIGHT AND EASY TO MOVE WITH...
THERE'S NO FORMAL ROBE THAT FITS HIM...
YES...
YOU'RE THE DRAGON STRATEGIST, SHIRO AMACHI, CORRECT?
I WISH MY PEOPLE COULD LEARN FROM HIM...
HE PREFERS FREEDOM OVER POWER?

YOUR HEROIC DEEDS SAVED THE PEOPLE OF XING ZHOU!
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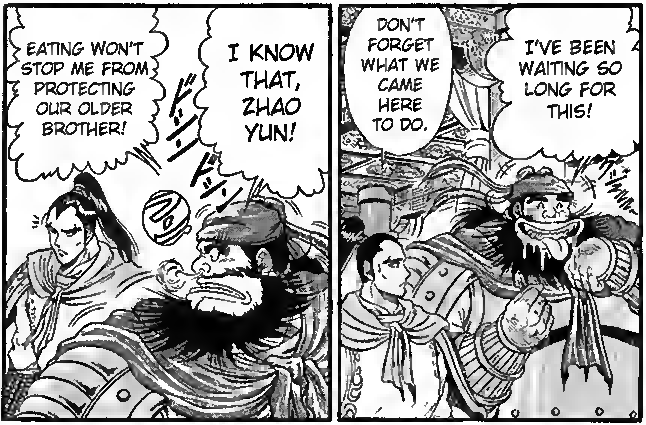
THIS OLD MAN THANKS YOU.
!
DEFEATING CAO REN WITH ONLY 5,000 SOLDIERS IS INDEED AMAZING.
I CAN'T TELL HIM THAT I LEARNED THAT IN JUNIOR HIGH!
UH …
HE WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT SHIRO'S TEACHER..
VERY SMART …
MAY I ASK HOW DID YOU ACQUIRE SUCH WISDOM?

I'M JUST A LITTLE HUNGRY...
SO VERY SORRY...
FFUUUUUU...

I THOUGHT IT WAS THUNDER
PFEW
QUITE, QUITE... LET'S KEEP THE TALK FOR LATER AND GO TO THE DINNING ROOM, SHALL WE?

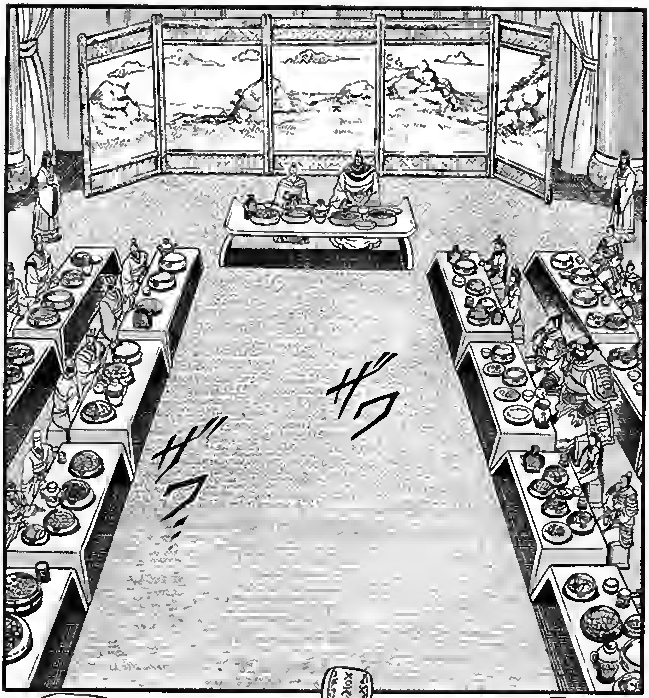

EATING WON'T STOP ME FROM PROTECTING OUR OLDER BROTHER!
I KNOW THAT, ZHAO YUN!
DON'T FORGET WHAT WE CAME HERE TO DO.
I'VE BEEN WAITING SO LONG FOR THIS!

I CAN'T LET THAT INCIDENT HAPPEN AGAIN.
STILL ..
LET'S EAT! BRING IT ON!
ONCE FAILED TO PROTECT HIS LORD, LEAVING HIM TO THE MERCY OF LIU BIAO'S WIFE AND HER BROTHER, CAI MAO.
ZHAO YUN ...
ON THAT NIGHT, HE WAS ORDERED BY HIS LORD TO LEAVE THE PARTY AND REST.
EVEN THOUGH ZHAO YUN IS USUALLY CLOSE TO LIU BEI AT ALL TIMES..
AND SO, THEY INVITED LIU BEI TO A FEAST DURING LIU BIAO'S ABSENCE.
THEY THOUGHT THAT ONE DAY, LIU BEI WOULD COME TO RULE ALL OF XING ZHOU..

FORTUNATELY, A SERVANT LOYAL TO THE LIU FAMILY ALERTED LIU BEI OF THE NEARING EVENTS.
WHEN THE LORD OF XIN DE WAS ALONE, THE BROTHER AND SISTER WERE GETTING READY FOR HIS ASSASSI-NATION...

WITH THE EXCUSE OF GOING TO THE RESTROOM, LIU BEI ESCAPED AND RODE ALL NIGHT BACK TO XIN DE.

BUT I MUST REMAIN ALERT UNTIL WE GET BACK TO THE CITY OF FAN.
THIS TIME AROUND, CAI MAO WON'T BE ABLE TO DO MUCH.
ZHAO YUN FELT GUILTY OF LEAVING HIS LORD UNPRO-TECTED.
THUS, THE PLOT FAILED BUT...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LET THE FEAST BEGIN!
WE SHALL NOW CELEBRATE LORD LIU BEI'S VICTORY OVER CAO REN'S FORCES!

THE QUEEN AND HER BROTHER DIDN'T ATTEND TO THE FEAST...

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WHAT'S GOING ON?
LIU BIAO DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S PLANNING ANYTHING EITHER...

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LADY OF THE DRAGON, HOW ABOUT SOME WINE?
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HEY, IF YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE EATING THIS, LET ME AT IT!
HIIIYA!

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BULLSHIT!
YOU'RE SUCH A CUTE YOUNG LADY!♡
I'M NOT USED TO THESE DRINKS, BUT I GUESS THAT A LITTLE BIT WON'T HURT.
FLE-AGE!

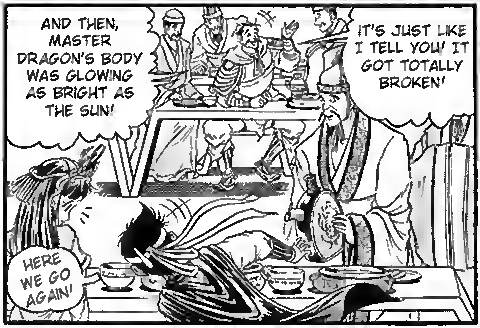
OH... THANKS.
HOW ABOUT A CUP OF THIS SPECIAL WINE?

LORD DRAGON ...

MASTER DAN FU WAS THE ONE THAT PROVIDED ME WITH THE STRATEGY, I DIDN'T DO MUCH!
NO, WAIT ...

!
DEFEATING CAO REN'S FORCE AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE IS QUITE AMAZING.

YOU RODE A DRAGON TO THE BATTLEFIELD AND THEN USED YOUR HOLY POWER TO BREAK CAO REN'S SWORD TO PIECES!
YOU'RE SO HUMBLE, MY LORD. I HEARD IT FROM SUN GAN.


AND THEN, MASTER DRAGON'S BODY WAS GLOWING AS BRIGHT AS THE SUN!
IT'S JUST LIKE I TELL YOU! IT GOT TOTALLY BROKEN!
HERE WE GO AGAIN!

EH?!

ARE AFRAID THAT CAO CAO MAY ENGAGE XING ZHOU AT ANY TIME...
WE, THE OFFI-CERS..

THIS IS A GIFT FROM GOD!
A DRAGON HAS APPEARED IN XING ZHOU!
YOU ARE WRO-NG.

XING ZHOU AND OUR LIVES WILL BE SPARED!
!?
BUT NOW THAT THE DRAGON'S CHILD IS HERE, HE WON'T DARE TO ASSAIL US!
PLEASE PROTECT XING ZHOU WITH YOUR HOLY POWER.
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MASTER SHIRO, MAY YOU HELP US?
DO THEY WANT ME TO PROTECT THEM AND LEAD THEIR OWN WAR?!
WH... WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?

XU SHU SACRIFICED HIS OWN LIFE TO PROTECT XING ZHOU..
YOUNG DRAGON, PLEASE TAKE MY PLACE AS THE STRATEGIST!
WHAT?!
THEY WANT TO USE ME IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEMSELVES!
BUT THESE PEOPLE ARE DIFFERENT!
EH?!

HUH?!
SHIRO!
OH!
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
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LOOK FOR YOURSELVES!
IF I WAS THE DRAGON THAT YOU SPEAK OF, WOULD I BLEED LIKE ANY OTHER HUMAN BEING?

YET, I DO KNOW THAT TO PROTECT A COUNTRY, YOU NEED THE COURAGE TO STAND UP FOR YOURSELVES INSTEAD OF COWARDLY RELYING ON OTHERS!
I'M NOT A DRAGON'S REINCARNATION NOR DO I HAVE ANY PARTICULAR POWERS!
NOW IF YOU'D EXCUSE ME, I NEED SOME REST.
PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR BREAKING THE MOOD
EH?

WHAT'S WRONG?
WAS IT SOMETHING WE SAID?
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IT'S NO WONDER THAT HE GOT ANGRY...
ONE MUST RELY ON HIMSELF TO MAKE CHANGE
THEIR PEACEFUL LIFESTYLE MADE THEM FORGET SUCH A BASIC RULE I APOLOGIZE FOR THEIR IGNORANCE
"I'M NOT A DRAGON'S REINCARNATION"
DOES THIS MEAN HE NO LONGER WISHES TO TAKE PART IN THIS WAR?
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I CAN'T
STOP
THE
BLEE-
DING!
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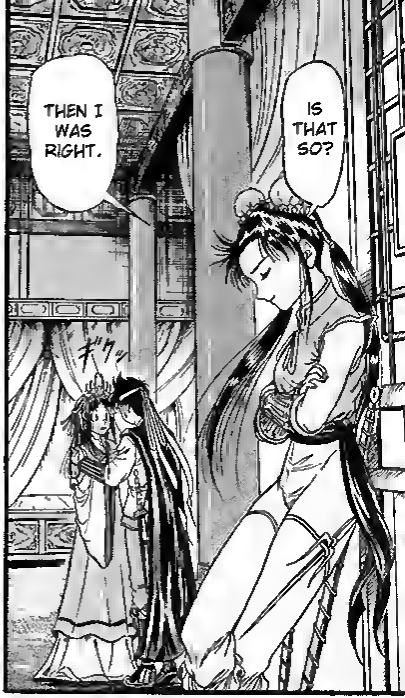
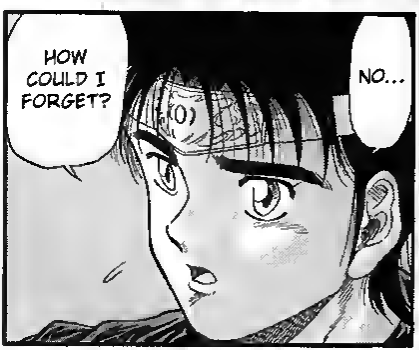
IDIOT...
YOU'RE
OVER-
DOING
IT..
SHOW
ME
THAT
HAND.
HEY
..
LET'S GET
OUT OF
XING ZHOU.

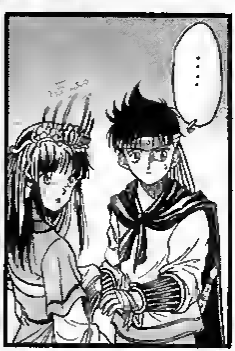
CAO CAO SHOULD CHARGE AGAIN SOON.
SHOULD I REMAIN HERE, WE'LL BE DRAWN INTO WAR ONCE MORE...!
AND...
YOU WANT US TO GO TO THIS "WEI" PLACE?
YEAH.
スク..
BECAUSE NO OTHER MILITARY FORCE CAN MATCH WEI'S IN THIS ERA.
BUT...
ISN'T THAT CAO CAO'S LAND?
WEI IS SO HUGE THAT WE CAN HIDE THERE.
WE'LL SETTLE IN A COZY VILLAGE AND WITH THE MARTIAL ARTS THAT I LEARNED, I'LL PROTECT THE BOTH OF US
SHIRO...

LIAN HUA ...
LI ...


IS THAT SO?
THEN I WAS RIGHT.

AND YOU THINK I'LL LET YOU DO THAT?
DID YOU ALREADY FORGET THAT MY BROTHER EXCHANGED HIS LIFE FOR YOURS?


HOW COULD I FORGET?
NO...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STILL ...
THERE'S ONE PERSON THAT'S MUCH MORE QUALIFIED TO BE LORD LIU BEI'S STRATEGIST.
YOU KNOW HIM TOO, DON'T YOU?
YOUR BROTHER'S BEST FRIEND, KONG MING.
ARE ...
YOU REFERRING TO THE "CROUCHING DRAGON"?!
EH?!
YOU WON'T MIND IF HE REPLACES ME, RIGHT?
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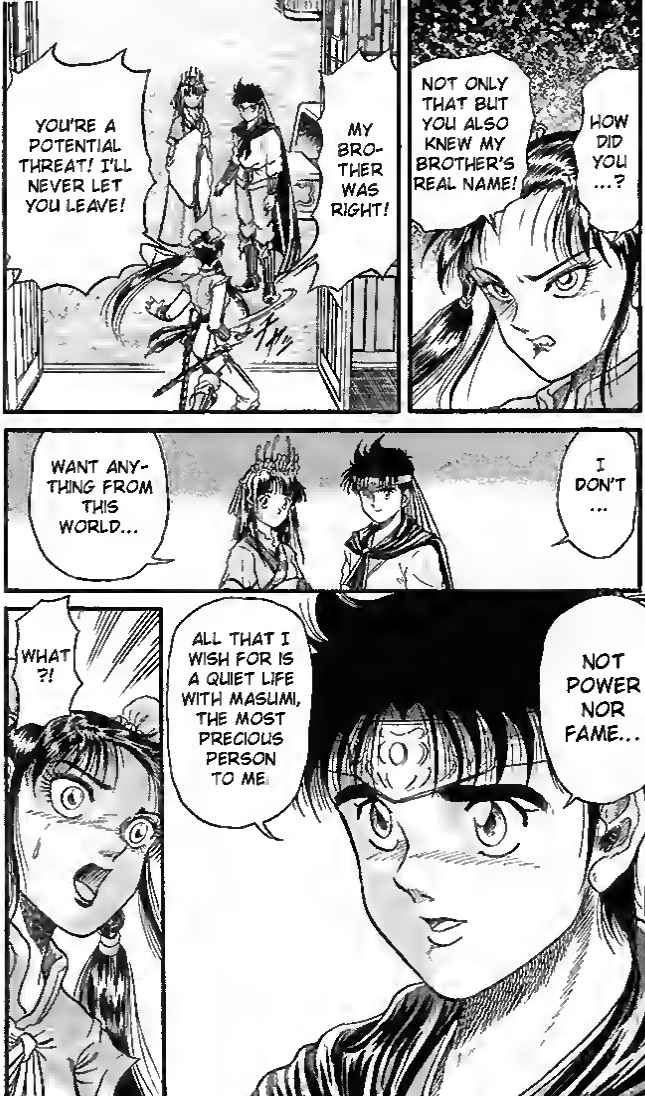
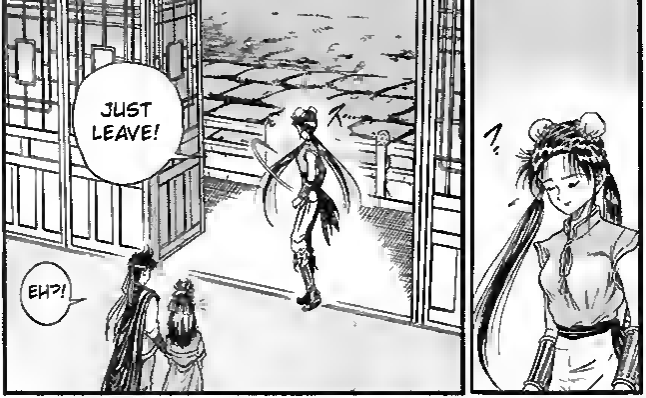
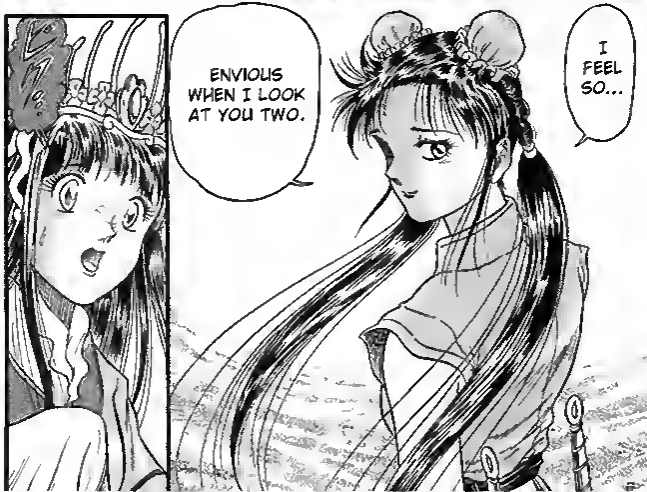

YOU'RE A POTENTIAL THREAT! I'LL NEVER LET YOU LEAVE!
MY BRO-THER WAS RIGHT!
NOT ONLY THAT BUT YOU ALSO KNEW MY BROTHER'S REAL NAME!
HOW DID YOU ...?
WANT ANY-THING FROM THIS WORLD...
I DON'T ...
WHAT ?!
ALL THAT I WISH FOR IS A QUIET LIFE WITH MASUMI, THE MOST PRECIOUS PERSON TO ME.
NOT POWER NOR FAME...

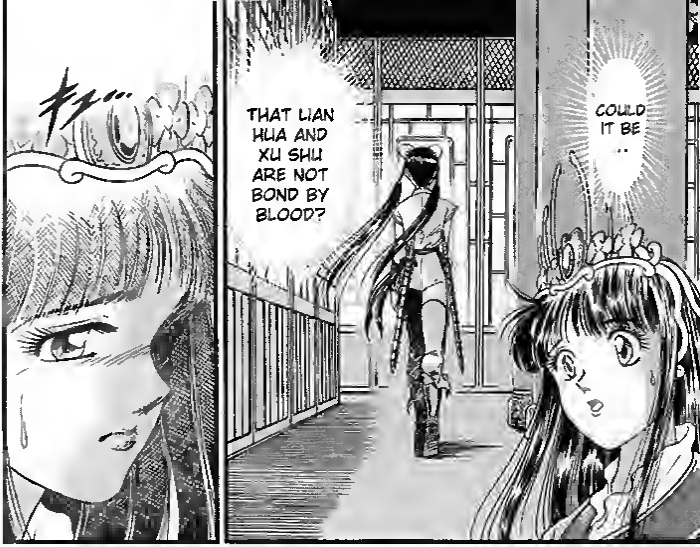
ONLY FOR YOUR LOVED ONE.
TO GO ON LIVING...
!
BRO-THER ..
YOU AVEN-GED YOUR PA-RENTS ..
TIME FOR US TO PART WAYS
YOU SHOULD GIVE UP YOUR SWORDS SINCE YOU WON'T NEED THEM ANYMORE

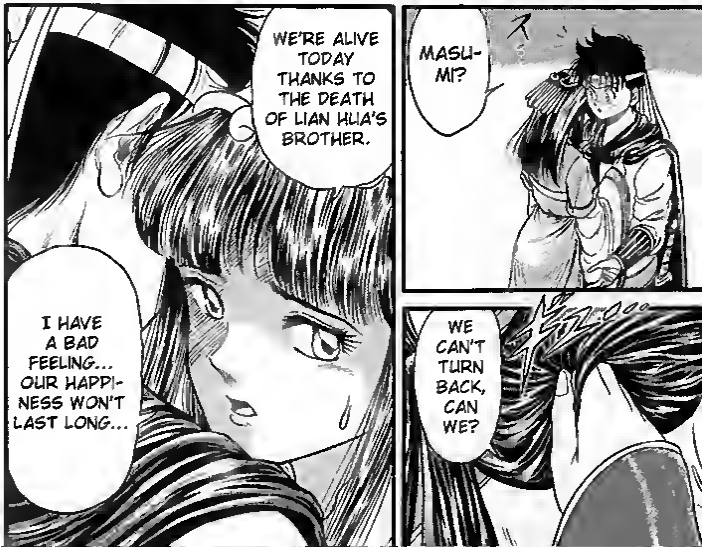
HMM... I'LL SEARCH FOR SOMEONE FAMOUS TO SERVE.
SO... WHERE TO FROM HERE?
?
I'LL JUST TAG ALONG, THEN...
I TRIED SO HARD TO BE SOMEONE THAT HE COULD LOVE...
...
BUT MY BROTHER KEPT SEEING ME AS HIS YOUNGER SISTER AND NOTHING ELSE...
DO YOU MIND?


JUST LEAVE!
EH?!

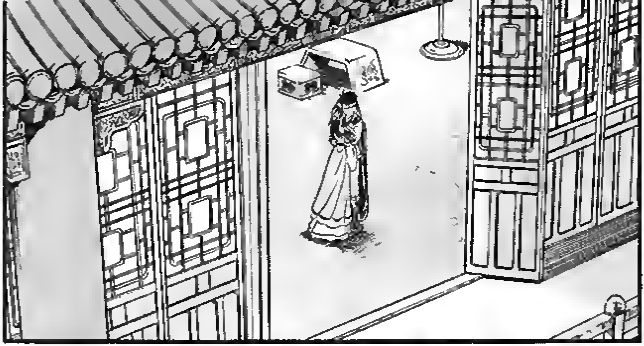
WHILE DYING, MY BROTHER TALKED ONLY OF YOU; HE DIDN'T EVEN MENTION MY NAME...
I CAN'T FORGIVE YOU FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE...


ENVIOUS WHEN I LOOK AT YOU TWO.
I FEEL SO...


COULD IT BE ..
THAT LIAN HUA AND XU SHU ARE NOT BOND BY BLOOD?


MASU-MI?
WE'RE ALIVE TODAY THANKS TO THE DEATH OF LIAN HUA'S BROTHER.
I HAVE A BAD FEELING... OUR HAPPI-NESS WON'T LAST LONG...
WE CAN'T TURN BACK, CAN WE?

REALLY BAD WAS ABOUT TO HAP-PEN.
THIS FEELING .. AS IF SOME-THING ..
.....!?
YOU'RE THE ONE TAKING THINGS LIGHTLY!
YOU GOT MORE SENTIMENTAL BY COMING TO THIS ERA?
DON'T SAY SUCH THINGS ..
I DON'T WANT YOU TO DIE..



HE'LL BE EASY TO USE.
OH WELL ...

HMM ...
"BY COMING TO THIS ERA"? STRANGE THING TO SAY.

TEACHER, DID YOU READ THEIR MINDS?

NO...
YET I KNOW THEY'RE MUCH DIFFERENT FROM YOU.
THEIR DRA-GON PO-WER?
READING SOMEONE'S MIND DOESN'T DETERMINE THAT PERSON'S HUMANITY.
HOWEVER, I KNOW THAT THEY'LL EVENTUALLY GO TO WEI.
I WANT HIM BY MY SIDE..
NO MATTER HOW MUCH BLOOD IS SHED.
DON'T LIE...
THAT'S A PRETEXT TO QUENCH YOUR THIRST FOR BLOOD!

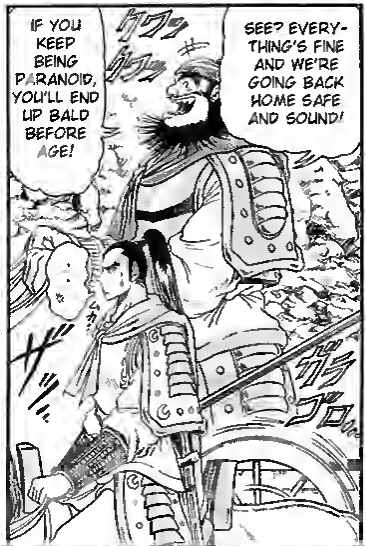
CONCEAL YOUR LUST FOR CARNAGE IF YOU'RE TO STAY BY CAO CAO'S SIDE.
THE DARK-NESS OF YOUR HEART CAN EVEN MAKE IMMORTALS LIKE MYSELF SHIVER ..
CHUNG TA!
YOU, THAT INHERITED THE "MARK OF THE PHOENIX" ...

THIS TIME, MAKE SURE YOU GET HIS HEAD!
RAAH! DAMN YOU, LIU BEI!
TO KILL THE SAVIOR OF XING ZHOU IN PRESENCE OF YOUR HUSBAND WOULD BE PURE SUICIDE!
WE CAN'T DO IT NOW!
GENERAL CAI MAO
LET'S WAIT FOR A BETTER SHOT AT THIS, OKAY?
HE'S GETTING CLOSER TO TAKING OVER THIS KINGDOM!
SO WE JUST WATCH HIM GET ALL THE CREDIT?
LIU BIAO'S WIFE MADAME CAI

WHO ARE YOU?
HEY!
WHAT?
HAHA... YOU LOOK PITIFUL...
THERE'S NO POINT IN INTRODUCING MYSELF.
IT IS NOT AS IF YOU'LL REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED AFTER I'M DONE WITH YOU.
NOW!
YIELD YOUR SPIRIT AND BECOME MY PUPPETS!

LIAN HUA...

I'M SORRY ABOUT YOUR BRO-THER..
HMM..


IF YOU KEEP BEING PARANOID, YOU'LL END UP BALD BEFORE AGE!
SEE? EVERY-THING'S FINE AND WE'RE GOING BACK HOME SAFE AND SOUND!

THAT'S IN THE PAST NOW.
IT MAY BE SO...
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HOWEVER, BEING A GIRL, I CAN GRASP YOUR PAIN.
!
YOU FOUND OUT?
...
I'M SO SORRY ...
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, STUPID!
...
HEY!
WHO ARE THESE SOLDIERS?
!?

SOLDIERS! CHARGE!
LIU BEI! I, CAI MAO, HAVE COME FOR YOUR HEAD!
ATTACK LIU BEI!
LIU BEI!
WOOOOH!
PROTECT OUR LORD!
DAMN!

HA HA HA...
HEY, CAI MAO! HAVE YOU GONE MAD?
THANKS TO ME HYPNO-TIZING HIM, THAT IS...
INDEED, HE'S GONE COMPLETELY AND UTTERLY INSANE!
KYA!
WEIRD...
AH!
BY KILLING LORD LIU BEI IN PUBLIC?
WHAT DO THEY GAIN...

I COMPLETELY FORGOT ABOUT MASUMI WITH ALL THIS FIGHTING!
DAMN!
YOUNG MAN OF THE DRAGON!
I'M TAKING THE GIRL WITH ME!

SHI-
RO!
DAMN!
SHIRO!
WAS
THIS
...
JUST A
DIVERSION?
BUT I WON'T
LET THEM
HAVE IT THEIR
WAY! I WON'T
GIVE MASUMI
AWAY TO
ANYONE!
THEIR AIM
WAS THE
"DRAGON'S
CHILDREN"
SINCE THE
START!
END OF
CHAPTER 5

龍狼伝 特別付録

三国志への招待!!

第5回 さすらいの居候・劉備

●拠って立つ地盤もなく、家は貧しく、徒手空拳の状態から後漢末期の風雲に乗り出した劉備。今回は、三国志随一の苦労人・劉備の一面を紹介する。

風来坊・劉備

乱世デビュー以来の劉備の人生は、放浪と敗北の繰り返しだった。黄巾の乱に挙兵して以後20年あまりもの間、彼は公孫瓚、陶謙、呂布、曹操、袁紹、劉表と、各軍閥をめまぐるしく転々としている。しかもその多くは敗北による亡命だ。「龍狼伝」に描かれる207年当時まで、劉備には確固たる地盤（領地）は無い。

一方、ライバルの曹操は、192年、袞州を手中にし、青州黄巾軍を傘下に収めた。彼にとって初めての地盤といえる領地だ。さらに4年後には漢帝国最後の皇帝・献帝を迎え、天下に号令をかけることになる——劉備と曹操。この両者の差はあまりに大きい。普通なら曹操は劉備などまったく問題にしなかったはずだ。

だが、劉備には曹操を大いに恐れさせた点があった。劉備の持つ不思議な人間的魅力、"人徳"だ。

曹操に厚遇されながらも劉備のもとに舞い戻った関羽を筆頭に、劉備配下の人材は劉備の人柄に惚れて集った集団だ。彼の"人徳"こそが後に、圧倒的勢力を誇る曹操に対抗するための原動力となる。

三国一の徳を持つ男!!

劉備の人徳を恐れた人間は曹操だけではない。荊州の支配者・劉表のもとに身を寄せた劉備は、劉表夫人である蔡夫人と、その弟・蔡瑁から警戒されることになる。当時の荊州の牧（州長官）・劉表

はすでに老齢で、蔡夫人は自分の子である次子・劉琮を後継者にして、ゆくゆくは荊州を蔡一族の意のままにしようとしていた。

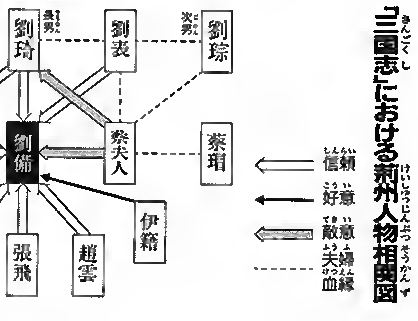
一方、劉表はこの頃、客将である劉備の意見を尊重していた。長子・劉琦をさしおいて、次子劉琮を後継者に……と考える劉表に対し、劉備は「それでは礼に背きます」と述べ、反対した。これを聞いた蔡夫人と蔡瑁は、劉備は長子・劉琦を擁して、やがては荊州を乗っとるだろうと危機感を強め、以後劉備の命を狙い出す。

ある時、蔡夫人の意を受けた蔡瑁は、一度は劉備を客舎に襲う。だがこの時は劉備を慕う荊州人・伊籍の知らせで危機を脱出した。その後再び、襄陽で開かれた酒宴の際にも命を狙われる。だがこの時も、伊籍の働きによって死地を脱出したのだ。

「このままでは劉備の力が大きくなる」と激しく危機感を募らせた蔡一族。身の危険を顧みず劉備の危機を救った伊籍――いずれの側にとっても、彼を行動に駆りたてたものは劉備の持つ不思議な〝人徳〟であったのだ。

〈文・構成・坂木恒善〉

「三国志」における荊州人物相関図



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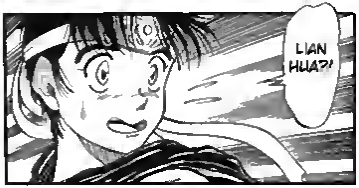
CHAPTER 6
TO THE RESCUE OF MASUMI

LET GO!
WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?

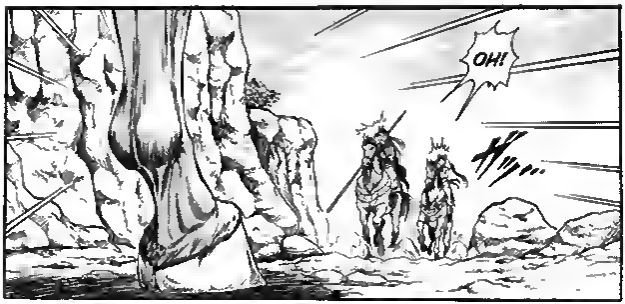
THERE'S SO MUCH COLDNESS IN HIS EYES.
WHAT KIND OF STARE IS THAT?
ガク!!
FAR TOO NOISY
YOU'RE

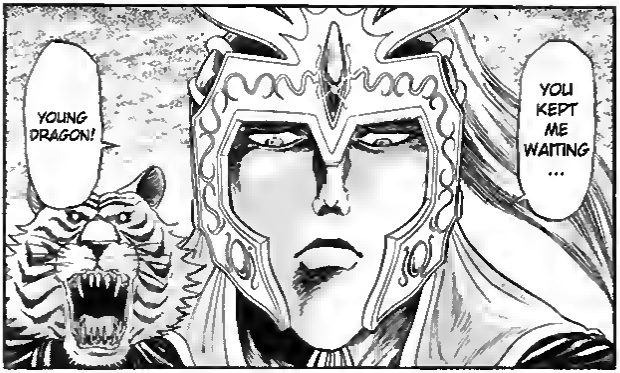
SHIRO!
EH?

I'M FAR FROM THE REST OF THE TROOPS.


LIAN HUA?!

I'LL HELP YOU!
IT'S MASUMI, RIGHT?
I'M NOT GOING TO WEI OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT
DON'T GET ME WRONG!
HA... HA HA...
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'D GO BACK TO LORD LIU BEI'S SIDE BEFORE THAT YOU RESCUE HER ANYWAY...
SHE'S THE ONLY ONE TO HAVE EVER PAID ATTENTION TO THAT...
MASUMI GUESSED MY FEELINGS TOWARDS MY BROTHER..
AND ...


OH!


YOUNG DRAGON!
YOU KEPT ME WAITING ...

SO I WAS THE REAL TARGET ALL THAT TIME?
...

SOMEONE WORTHY OF BEING MY RIGHT HAND.
I NEED ...

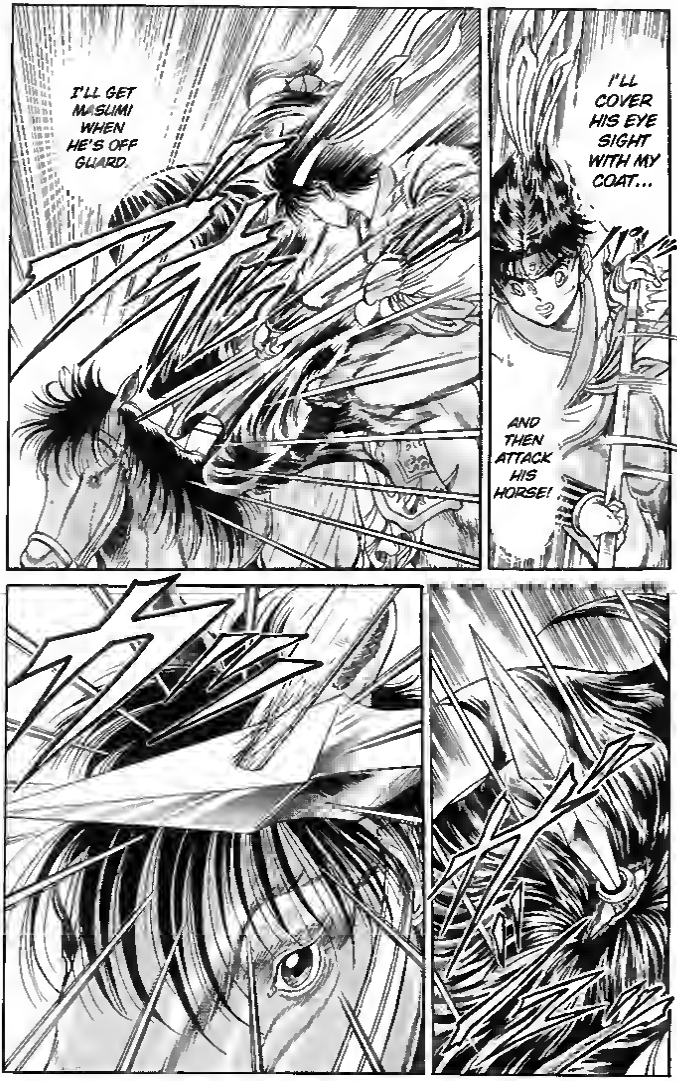
YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY NOT ONE OF CAI MAO'S MEN.
WHO ARE YOU?
...

I NEED THE LIKES OF YOU!
TO DOMINATE ALL CREATION IN THIS ERA...
"DOMINATE"? WHAT IN HELL IS HE THINKING?
IS SO DIFFERENT FROM LIU BEI OR EVEN CAO CAO...
THIS MAN...

BASTARD!
YOU WANT TO FORCE HIM INTO JOINING YOU?
.....
AH!
MASUMI ...!
SHE'S ONLY SLEEPING.
I'VE GOT SOME THINGS THAT I NEED TO ASK HER.

I HEARD THAT YOU CAN CHANGE THIS ERA'S KARMA.
IF IT'S TRUE AND YOU STILL REFUSE TO JOIN ME, I'LL HAVE TO KILL THE BOTH OF YOU.
ドクン
SHIRO!
I HAVE A BAD FEELING ...
THIS GUY IS BAD NEWS!

!
HA?!
I SHOULDN'T FIGHT HIM...
MY INSTINCTS TELL ME THAT I CAN'T WIN


I'LL GET MASUMI WHEN HE'S OFF GUARD.
I'LL COVER HIS EYE SIGHT WITH MY COAT...
AND THEN ATTACK HIS HORSE!

AH?!
UGH!

IF YOU DIDN'T LET GO, YOU'D BE SQUASHED ON THAT ROCK BY NOW.
GOOD!
UGH!
HOW DID HE SENSE MY ATTACK?
NO WAY! THE COAT BLINDED HIM!
HE WON'T BE ABLE TO BLOCK MY SWORD!
HE'S BUSY WITH SHIRO.

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スー
UGH!
ドン
OH!
ｗｯｱｱｱ！

ARGH!
HMM ...
YOU CAN FEND FOR YOURSELF...
DAMN YOU!
YOU'RE USING MASUMI AS A SHIELD?
I'LL WARN YOU AGAIN ...
WHO EVER DARES TO FIGHT ME WILL DIE!

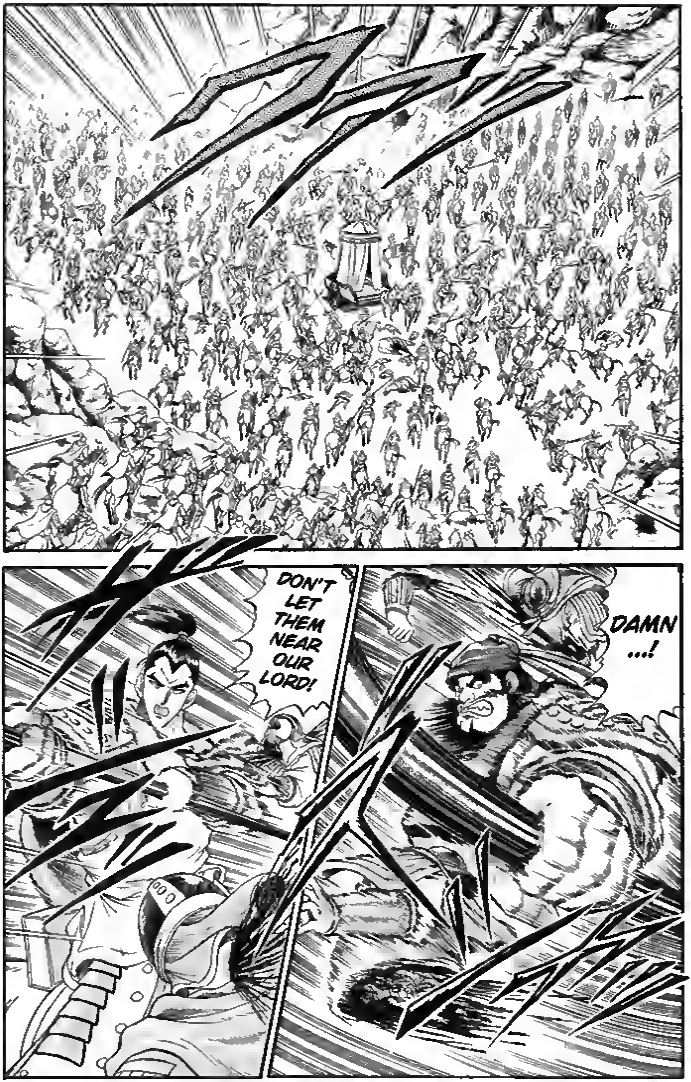
!
THEN YOU DON'T ...
NEED TO TAKE MASUMI, JUST KILL ME INSTEAD.
IF YOU CAN READ ATTACKS WHEN BLINDED...
THEN YOU DIDN'T NEED TO USE MASUMI AS A SHIELD...
BUT YOU MEANT TO DO THAT...
JUST TO MOCK US...

FORGIVE YOU!
I'LL NEVER ...
YOU'RE THE ONE I NEED TO BE MY RIGHT HAND.
GOOD AURA!

SHIRO...
HE LOOKS FURIOUS!
OH!
LUAN HUA...
MASTER GUAN YU...
ONCE TOLD ME THAT...

AFTER HAVING FOUGHT SHIRO, I LEARNED THAT...
HE CAN BECOME A DANGER TO HIS ENEMY...
WHAT?!
ケズ
THAT GUY CRIES OVER THE PEOPLE THAT WANT HIM DEAD...
YES, BUT HE'S PROVEN HIMSELF AGAINST CAO REN...
HE HAS A NATURAL TALENT WHICH CAN BE NOTICED WHEN HE FIGHTS
THERE'S NO HESITATION AT THE MOMENT HE STRIKES!
DON'T MAKE HIM YOUR ENEMY...
HE'S SIMILAR TO A PREDATOR IN EVERY WAY...
JUST LIKE A WILD BEAST HUNTING ITS PREY...

FINALLY AWAKEN ?!
HAS THAT WILD BEAST ...


DON'T LET THEM NEAR OUR LORD!
DAMN ...!

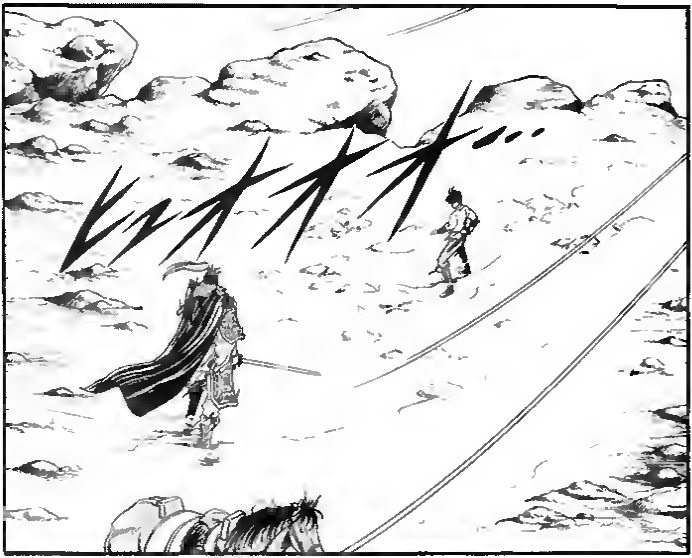
COVER ME!
ZHANG FEI! ZHAO YUN!
WON'T IT EVER END?
YES ...
YOU GOT IT.
MY SOLDIERS ARE NOTHING TO THEM...
ZHANG FEI AND ZHAO YUN?!

TAKE THIS, CAI MAO!
...
MY LORD!
ARGH!
UGH!

!!
DON'T FIGHT LIU BEI!
STOP!
WHERE AM I? WHAT'S WITH THE ARROW?
UUUH
MY LORD ...
ISN'T THAT LIU BEI?
OH!

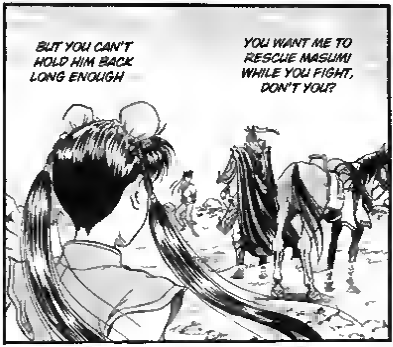
WHY DO YOU FIGHT...?
WHAT'S WRONG...?
WHAT?!
WHAT? ME?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU'RE THE ONE THAT AMBUSHED US!
THAT PANIC DOESN'T LOOK LIKE AN ACT...
I DON'T GET IT...
SIR?
HMM
WHAT'S GOING ON?
THIS CAN'T BE...

IT SEEMS THAT THE DRAGON AND LIAN HUA WENT TO HER RESCUE...
THE DRAGON Pprincess WAS ABDUCTED WHILE WE WERE FIGHTING...
HMM?
MY LORD!
THEY CAME FOR THE DRAGON'S SON?
IT CAN'T BE...
YES!
ZHAO YUN!
OVER THERE!
WHICH WAY?


ヒュオオ…

SHIRO…

ヒュウッ…
LIAN HUA…
チラ…


BUT YOU CAN'T HOLD HIM BACK LONG ENOUGH
YOU WANT ME TO RESCUE MASUMI WHILE YOU FIGHT, DON'T YOU?

YOUNG DRAGON ...
COME ON...

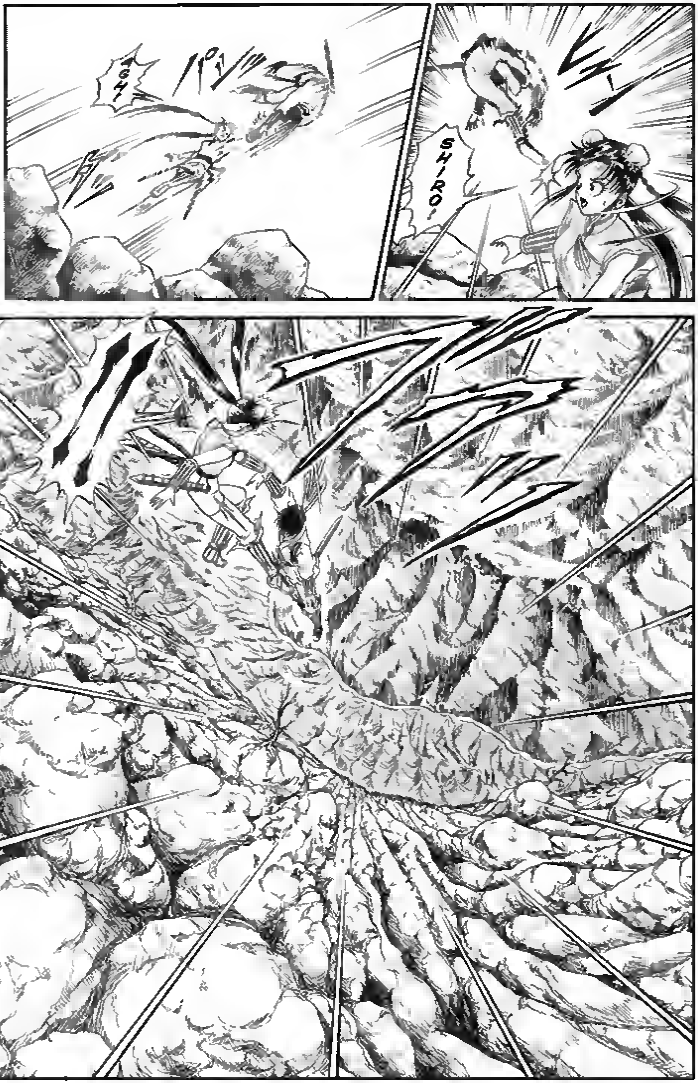
HMM ...?!
!!
BUT THE ACTUAL SLASH IS WEAK..
FAST...

LIAN HUA?!
TO CHANGE HIS SLASH INTO A STAB!
HE USED HIS LEFT HAND..

HOW FOOLISH OF YOU...
YOUNG DRAGON ...

WHY DID YOU PROTECT ME?
NO!
ストッ
YOU SHOULD HAVE STABBED HIM, STUPID!
IT'S OKAY IF I GOT WOUNDED...
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT THAT HE'D BE AIMING AT ME...
WE COULD HAVE ATTACKED FROM OPPOSITE SIDES...
!!
ドガッ
LOOK AT MY SWORD...
...

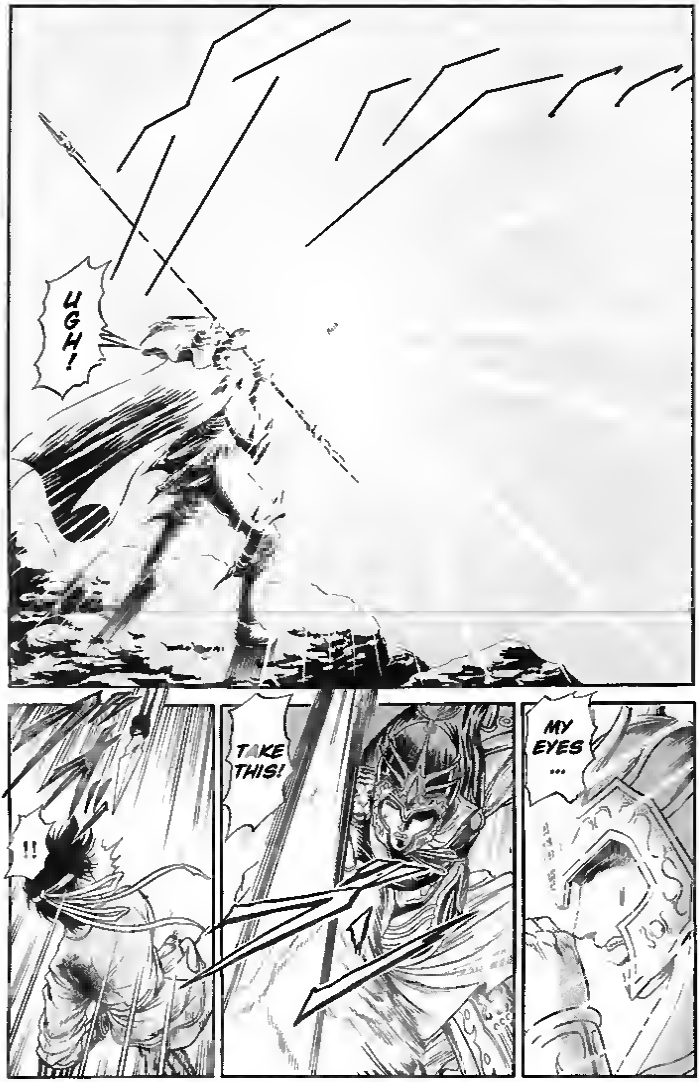
I... DIDN'T SEE...
WHEN DID IT BREAK?
...
AND IN A SECOND, HE HAD ALREADY BECOME YOUR SHIELD.
HE RELEASED THE SWORD RIGHT BEFORE I BROKE IT...
IF YOU WON'T BECOME MY ALLY THEN YOU MUST DIE!
THAT COURAGE IS A THREAT TO ME!


AGH
SHIRO!

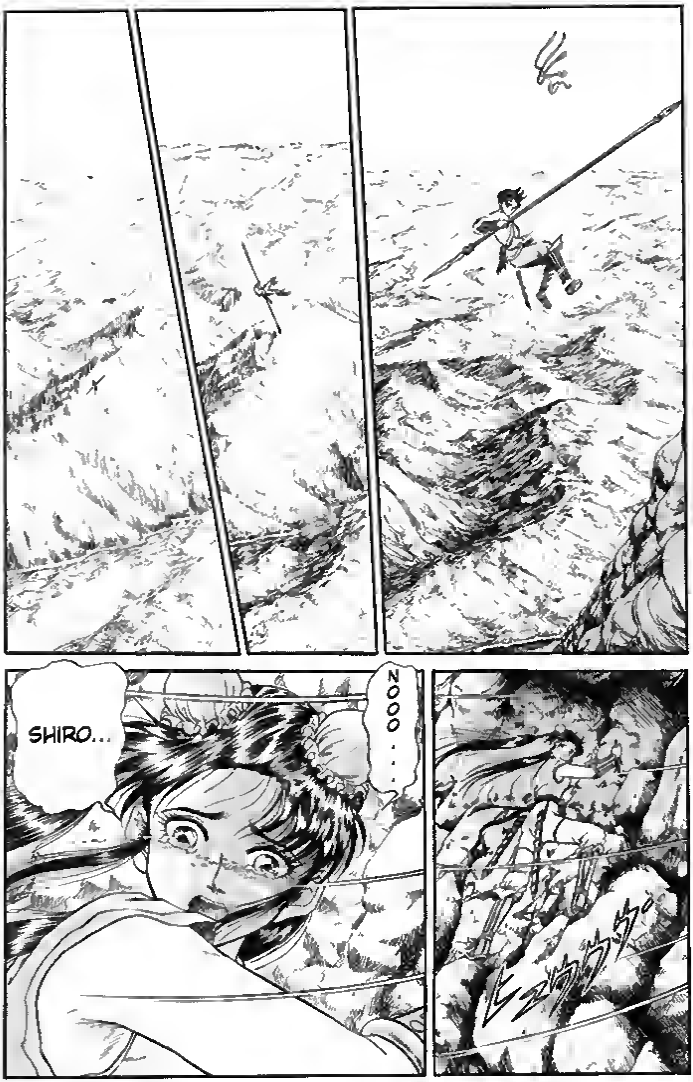
WAKE UP!
SHIRO...
ARGH!
TIME TO DIE...
AH!
DAMN!

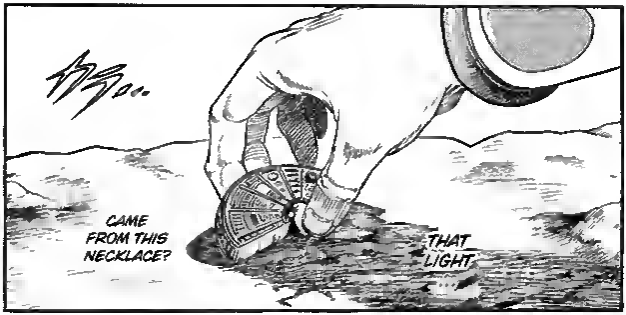
I'LL BE THE BAIT AND DISTRACT HIM...
YOU'LL BE SAFE FROM HIS ATTACKS IF YOU STAY THERE...
SHIRO!
LIAN HUA, JUMP TO THAT ROCK...
I'LL BE THE BAIT, YOU JUST SWING TO THE ROCK!
WHY? WHY DO YOU ALWAYS HELP ME?
SORRY, LIAN HUA... PLEASE TAKE CARE... OF MASUMI...
IT'S NO USE IF WE BOTH DIE...
I... CAN'T MOVE WITH THIS WOUND...
BESIDES, HE'LL BE AIMING AT ME WHEN WE JUMP...

HELP ME ONCE AGAIN ...
SHIRO! DON'T!
HMM ...?!
AND SHINE AS YOU DID LAST TIME...!

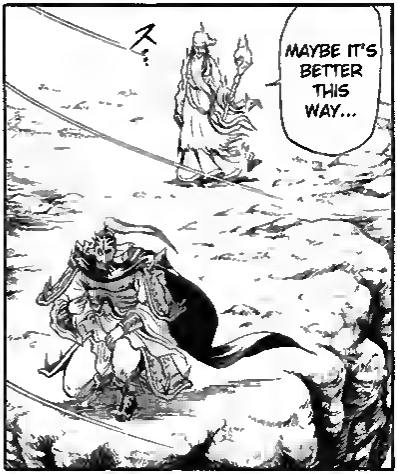

UGH!
!!
TAKE THIS!
MY EYES ...

ヒュオ
ヒュオ
ヒュオ


SHIRO...
NOOO...


THAT LIGHT...
CAME FROM THIS NECKLACE?

THOUGH I NEVER EXPECTED HIM TO BE THE ONE HOLDING THE...
"FACE OF DESTINY"... GOOD RID-DANCE...
ヒュウウ


MAYBE IT'S BETTER THIS WAY...

HE DIED, DIDN'T HE?
THE "FACE OF DESTINY" IS TO BE FEARED EVEN BY THE LIKES OF ME...

YOU WON'T HAVE AN EASY TIME AGAINST THE BOTH OF THEM...
CAI MAO HAS AWAKENED SO ZHAN FEI AND ZHAO YUN ARE ON THEIR WAY...
LET'S GO NOW...
WE'VE DEALT WITH BOTH OF THE DRAGON'S CHILDREN... LET'S GO...
THE DRAGON PRINCESS WILL BE ENOUGH FOR CAO CAO...
ヒュウウウ...
.....

ヒョオオオ…
ウナ…
THEY TOOK AWAY THE DRAGON PRINCESS TOO?
IS THAT SO?
...
ENOUGH, ZHANG FEI. IT'S NOT HER FAULT.
HOW DID YOU LET THAT HAPPEN? YOU WERE THERE!

YOU ...
TO SAVE ME...
SHIRO!
END OF CHAPTER 6

龍狼伝 特別付録 三国志への招待!!

第6回 天才軍師・諸葛孔明②

●強大無比な曹操軍の前に連戦連敗を続け、流浪の将軍として荊州へ落ちのびた劉備。そんな劉備の眼を開かせたのが諸葛孔明の"天下三分の計"だ!

天下三分の計とは

荊州・新野城主時代の劉備は、まだ無名の孔明の才を慕って3度草庵を訪れたとされる。

さて、孔明との出会いが劉備にもたらしたものは何だろう?

孔明はまず天下の形勢を説き、中原を制し強大化した魏、江南の地に地盤を固めた呉に、劉備が対抗してゆくには、戦略上の要地である荊州と、物産が豊富な益州を併せ持つ必要があると説く。

こうして魏、呉に互して天下を三分する。これが孔明が長年温めてきた"天下三分の計"だ。三つの勢力の間に力のバランスが生じれば、おいそれと他国には攻めこめない。他国を攻めている間にもうひとつの国から逆に攻め込まれる危険があるからだ。また、天下を我が手に収めんとする曹操の野望に対しては、呉と手を結ぶべしと説いた。

漢王朝復興の理想を持ち、反曹操の立場を明らかにしながらも、具体的な戦略に欠け、大陸各地を流浪してきた劉備。彼には、"天下三分の計"に示される孔明の戦略に眼から鱗が落ちる思いであったろう。劉備と孔明の関係は後に"水魚の交わり"とたとえられる。

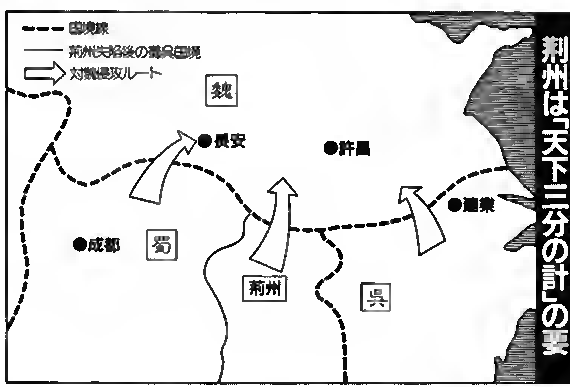
孔明は劉備と出会った後、五丈原に没するまで、劉備のために、自分の才能を縦横に発揮することになる。劉備と孔明の出会いこそ、後の三国時代の幕開けを意味するといえる。

戦略拠点・荊州

すでに勢力を確立した魏の曹操、呉の孫権に対し、出遅れた劉備がどのように生きのび、勢力を築けばよいか——この戦略を示したのが〝天下三分の計〟であった。

この天下三分の計にとって要というべき土地が、荊州だ。荊州は交通の要所であり、中原、江東へ出るのに容易な場所だ。つまり荊州は魏、呉牽制のためには理想的な軍事拠点であった。後に荊州を失ったことで天下三分の計は片肺飛行となる。孔明の魏侵攻が益州から漢中を攻略する一方面のみに限られたからである。(下図参照)

孔明の悲憶な戦いは荊州失陥から始まった。〈文・構成　坂本恒善〉



●中原の曹操、江東の孫権に対して荊州、益州を制した劉備。基本的な外交方針は、呉と同盟を結び曹操の魏に対抗することだ。上図は孔明の想定する天下三分の計と蜀、呉の対魏攻守同盟。図に明らかなように荊州を領有すれば曹操の根拠地・許昌を直撃することも可能。事実、荊州駐在の関羽の攻撃を恐れた曹操は、真剣に許昌からの遷都を考えたという。

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CHAPTER 7:
THE THREE KINGDOMS

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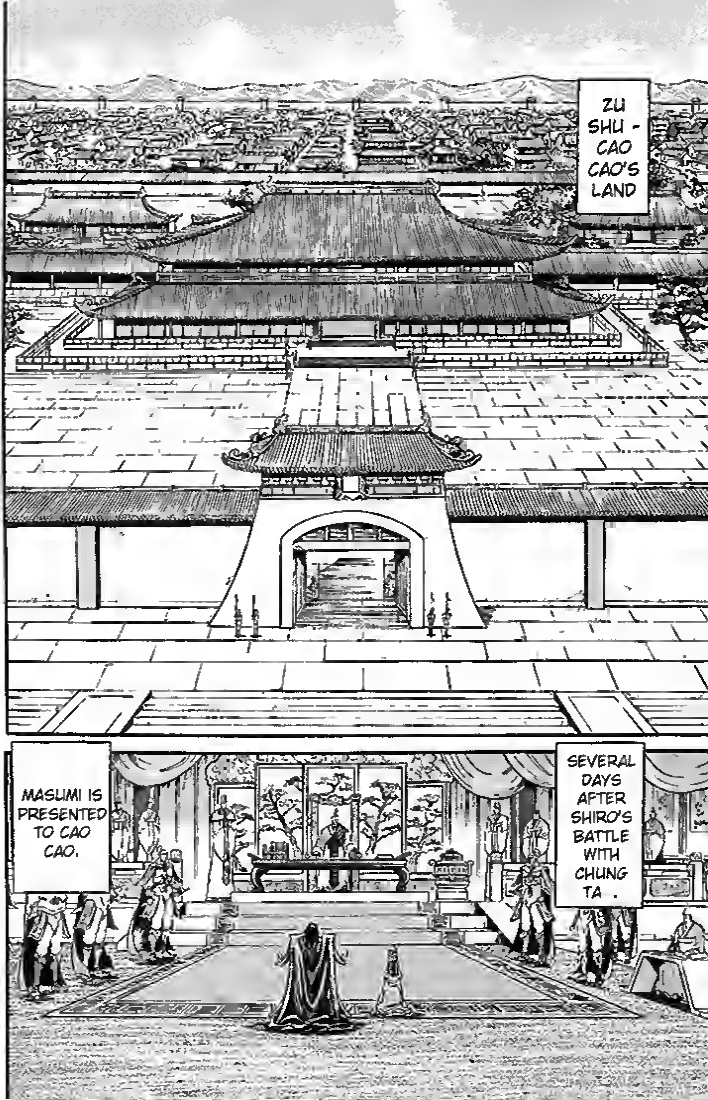
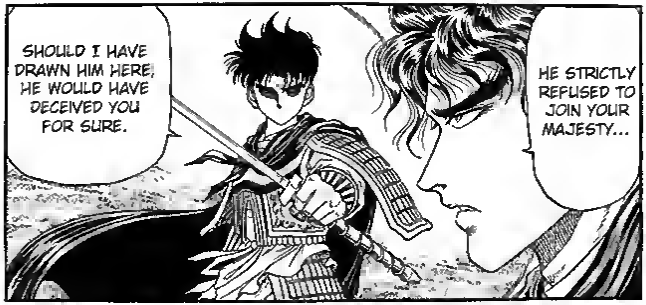

ZU SHU - CAO CAO'S LAND
SEVERAL DAYS AFTER SHIRO'S BATTLE WITH CHUNG TA .
MASUMI IS PRESENTED TO CAO CAO.

※現在の警視総監のような役職

WHY DID YOU KILL THE DRAGON'S SON?
WHY?
YOU'VE DONE A GOOD JOB BRINGING ME THE PRINCESS...
BUT WHAT I NEEDED WAS THE STHATEGIST DRAGON! A WARRIOR SHOULD REALIZE THAT!
HE WAS LOYAL TO LIU BEI..
EVEN MORE THAN GUAN YU OR ZHANG FEI..


SHOULD I HAVE DRAWN HIM HERE, HE WOULD HAVE DECEIVED YOU FOR SURE.
HE STRICTLY REFUSED TO JOIN YOUR MAJESTY...

SO I CAN'T ALLOW A TRAITOR TO REMAIN ALIVE!
I PLEDGE LOYALTY TO YOU ..

LOSING HIM IS A PITY.
STILL...
I SEE...
HMM ...
...

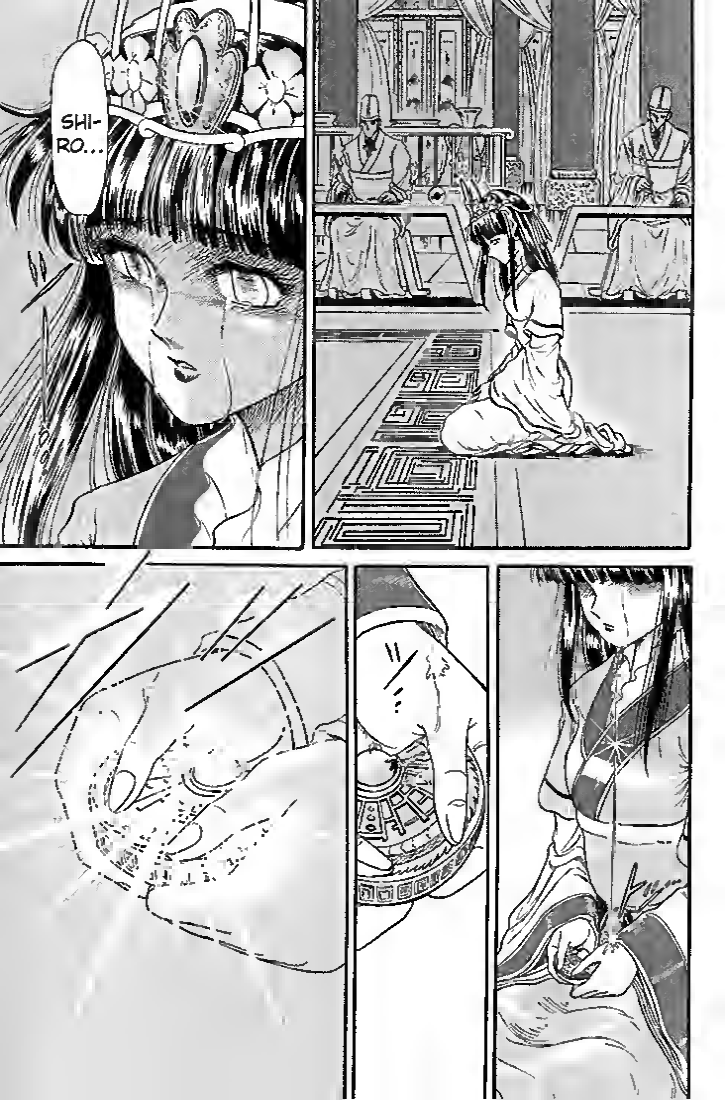
IN HER!
DON'T WORRY ...
WE CAN STILL HARNESS THE DRAGON POWER..
THEY DEVOTE THEM-SELVES NOT TO A MASTER BUT TO THE ONE THEY LOVE.
WOMEN AREN'T THE SAME AS MEN
HMM ...
WHAT IS IT?
OH!

IF SHE CAME...
TO LOVE MY LORD THEN SHE'D BE YOURS IN BODY AND SOUL.
HMM ...
GOOD.
BUT IS SHE AS STRONG AS THE DRAGON ...?
SHE'S LOST HERSELF ...
WHEN SHE LEARNED ABOUT HER FRIEND'S DEATH.

DON'T YOU GET IT?
SHIRO ...
THIS ...
HE...
FELL FROM THE CLIFF AND DIED.

YOUR FRIEND ...
IS NO LONGER A PART OF THIS WORLD.
HE'S ...
DEAD?
...
MA-SU-MI!
MA-SU-MI!
MA-SU-MI!

THE MOST PRECIOUS PERSON TO ME...
A QUIET LIFE WITH MASUMI...
NO ...
ZOOO


SHI-
RO...

!
!!
WHAT ...
HEY!
WHAT'S THAT?

THE SAME AS STRATEGIST DRAGON.
LI DAN!
WHAT IN...?
WHAT IS THIS LIGHT?
IT'D BE A WASTE TO GIVE IT TO HER OTHERWISE.
THAT THING WILL GLOW IF A DRAGON HOLDS IT.
IT'S URGENT... OUTSIDE...
M... MY LORD!
HMM ?
AAAH ...

AH!
WAAH!
OH!
!!
A DRAGON IN THE SKY?
NO WAY!

IS THAT STRATEGIST DRAGON...?
YOUNG LADY...
HMM?
SHIRO?
BUT IT CAME TO TELL ME SOMETHING.
NO... THAT DRAGON ISN'T SHIRO...
IS STILL ALIVE!
SHIRO...

SHE ALSO HOLDS THE "FACE OF DESTINY"?!
THAT MARK ...
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IS THAT SO?
IT'S LEAVING ...!
LOOK!
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HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF KING CHU'S TRAGEDY?
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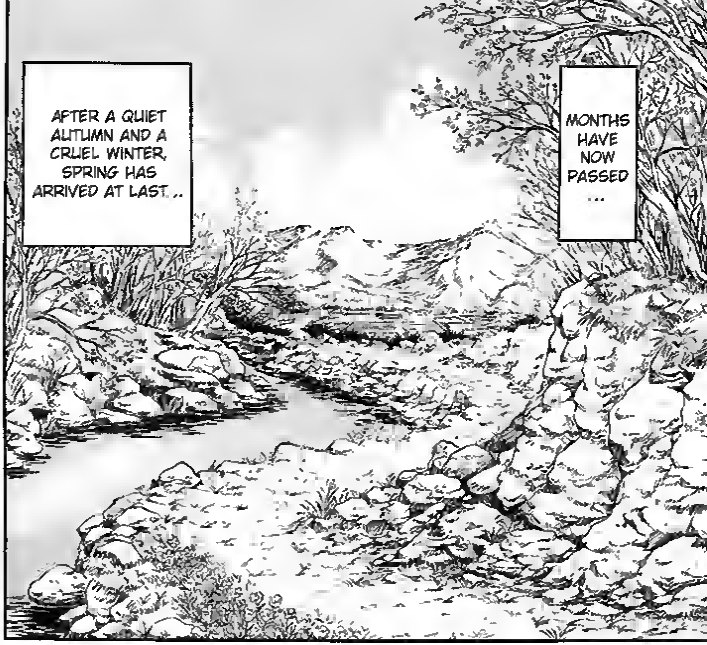
ADVI-SOR...
I ALMOST DID THE SAME STUPID MISTAKE ...
RIGHT NOW...
LEGENDS HAVE IT THAT THE KING OF IN , A MORTAL, FELL IN LOVE WITH THE GODDESS NYOKA THEN TRIED TO USE HER...
LOOK ...
AWARE OF THE KING'S FOUL BEHAVIOR, THE GODDESS DESTROYED ALL OF THE IN COUNTRY...

CALLING DRAGONS AND CHANGING HER EMOTIONS... SHE'S TRULY A GODDESS.
SHE CHANGED ..
NO ONE IS TO HARM HER IN ANY WAY. TREAT HER WITH REVERENCE AT ALL TIMES.
...
AND THE BOY'S STILL ALIVE... WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THAT?
SO THE GIRL ALSO HOLDS THE "FACE OF DESTINY"...
...
OH MY, WHAT'S WITH THAT DRAGON?

OF A MAN THAT IS ABOUT TO DIE.
IT'S TRUE, HIS EYES WERE NOT THE EYES...
HE MUST BE ALIVE...
THE WAR'S GOING TO BE FUN!
HMM ..
DOESN'T HE FEAR THIS DRAGON'S RETALIATION?

A MAN THAT HAS NO FEAR CAN PROVE DANGEROUS...
WE SHOULD TURN OUR BACK TO HIM... THE SOONER THE BETTER.
HE'LL BE BACK...
MUCH STRONGER THAN HE WAS...
SO I'LL WAIT...
UNTIL YOU COME TO TAKE ME AWAY!


AFTER A QUIET AUTUMN AND A CRUEL WINTER, SPRING HAS ARRIVED AT LAST...
MONTHS HAVE NOW PASSED ...

THERE WAS NO NEED TO COME IF YOU DIDN'T WANT TO, ZHANG FEI...
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WHY WOULD OUR BROTHER GO THROUGH ALL THIS TROUBLE TO MEET THAT YOUNG SCHOLAR?
BUT... THIS IS THE THIRD TIME!
REJECTED AGAIN!
MY BROTHER IS OUT, I DON'T KNOW WHEN HE'LL BE BACK.
THEN, EVEN AFTER FIGHTING OFF THE SNOW ..
THAT BOY TOLD US OFF.
MY TEACHER IS OUT, I DON'T KNOW WHEN HE'LL BE BACK.
THE FIRST TIME WE CAME...

I BET THAT ASSHOLE'S ENJOYING THIS!
IF ONLY OUR BROTHER WAS THE LORD OF A BIGGER COUNTRY..
SO RUDE...
SORRY, ZHANG FEI...
?

CUT IT OUT!
BU.. BUT...

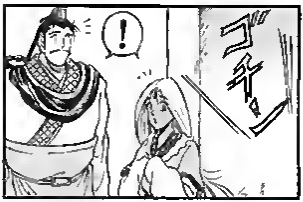
SHIRO ONCE SAID THAT...
THERE IS NO BETTER MAN FOR THIS JOB.

OUR EFFORTS SEEM SMALL WHEN COMPARED TO YOURS.
YOU EVEN CUT YOUR HAIR AFTER ALL THAT HAPPENED...
DON'T BLAME YOURSELF, LIAN HUA...
THANK YOU!
.....
PEOPLE LIVE ON EARTH THEN DIE AND RETURN WHERE THEY BELONG..
SINCE I HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT HIM...
I MUST ADMIT THAT I'M ALSO PERSONALLY INTERESTED IN MEETING THIS MAN.

WOW! PRETTY!♡
OH!
AND THE SOUL TO THE AFTER-LIFE...
THE BODY TO THE SOIL...
AS I WAS SEARCHING THE WOODS FOR VEGE-TABLES.
THE EARTH TOLD ME THAT LORD LIU BEI WAS COMING...
SCHOOL

OH!
PLEASE, THIS WAY ..
PLEASE WAIT!
KONG MING ..
SO WE'LL WAIT FOR HIM TO WAKE UP.
WE DIDN'T WARN HIM OF OUR ARRIVAL ..
WAH ...
BUT...

AND TO GET HIS SUPPORT, I'M WILLING TO WAIT AS LONG AS IT TAKES.
WE'LL FINALLY GET TO MEET THE YOUNG MASTER ...
NO NEED TO RUSH ...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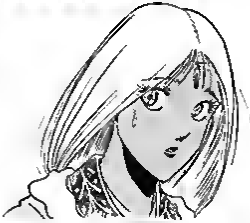


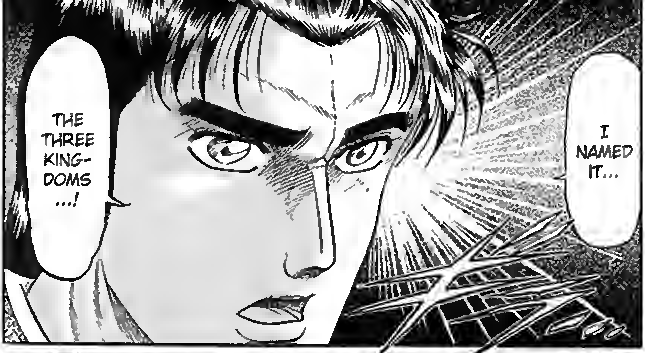
HA HA ...
WELL, HE'S AWAKE NOW...

OUCH .. I FELL FROM MY BED AGAIN?
THE PAIN!

HE'S RATHER CLUMSY, ISN'T HE?
IS THAT OUR GUY?

I APOLOGIZE FOR NOT WELCOMING YOU PROPERLY.
I HAVE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT YOU...
SO I CAME TO SEEK YOUR ADVICE.
WE GOT TO MEET YOU AND IT'S ALL THAT MATTERS.
I ALSO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT BEING HOME TWICE IN A ROW...
...
I'M STILL A BIT YOUNG FOR THAT...
ONE'S TALENT ISN'T AFFECTED BY AGE!
THE DRAGON WAS ONLY 15 YEARS OLD...
YET HE MANAGED TO DEFEAT CAO REN!

I CAME TO YOU FOR ADVICE... FOR A WAY TO TURN CHINA INTO A PEACEFUL COUNTRY!
FOR THE TIME BEING, I STILL DEPEND HEAVILY ON XING ZHOU...
!
TO STOP ALL OF THIS CHAOS..
HOWEVER, I CAME UP WITH A PLAN...
A PEACE-FUL CHINA?
THE CURRENT EMPEROR WAS SECLUDED FROM HIS PEOPLE AND LOST HIS INFLU-ENCE...
SUCH A PITY...
THEN ...!?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THE THREE KING-DOMS ...!

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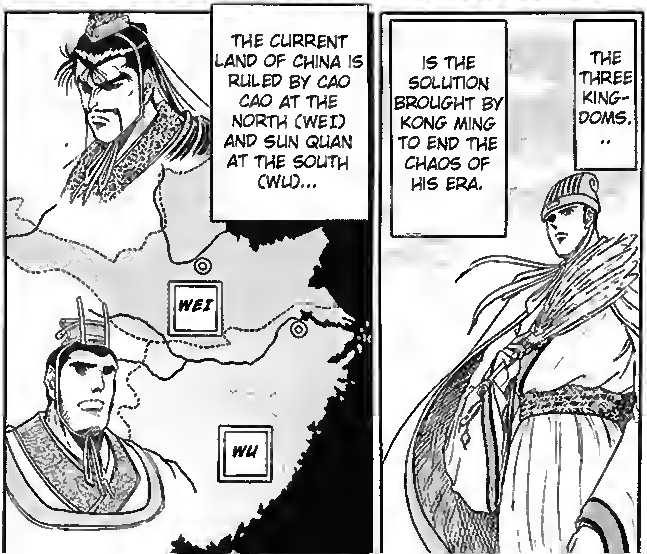
THREE KING-DOMS. ..?


THE THREE KING-DOMS, ..
IS THE SOLUTION BROUGHT BY KONG MING TO END THE CHAOS OF HIS ERA.
THE CURRENT LAND OF CHINA IS RULED BY CAO CAO AT THE NORTH (WEI) AND SUN QUAN AT THE SOUTH (WU)...
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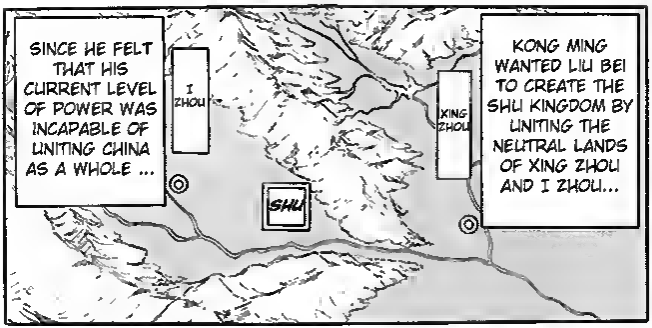
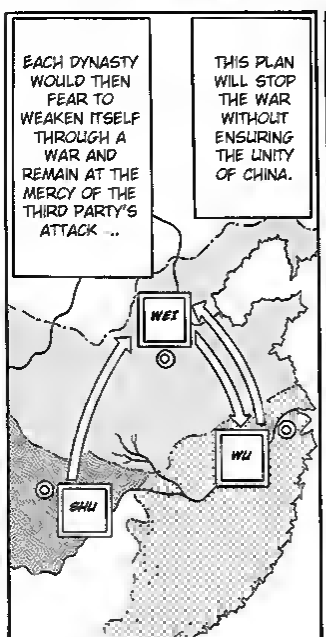
WU


SINCE HE FELT THAT HIS CURRENT LEVEL OF POWER WAS INCAPABLE OF UNITING CHINA AS A WHOLE ...
I ZHOU
SHU
XING ZHOU
KONG MING WANTED LIU BEI TO CREATE THE SHU KINGDOM BY UNITING THE NEUTRAL LANDS OF XING ZHOU AND I ZHOU...


EACH DYNASTY WOULD THEN FEAR TO WEAKEN ITSELF THROUGH A WAR AND REMAIN AT THE MERCY OF THE THIRD PARTY'S ATTACK ..
THIS PLAN WILL STOP THE WAR WITHOUT ENSURING THE UNITY OF CHINA.
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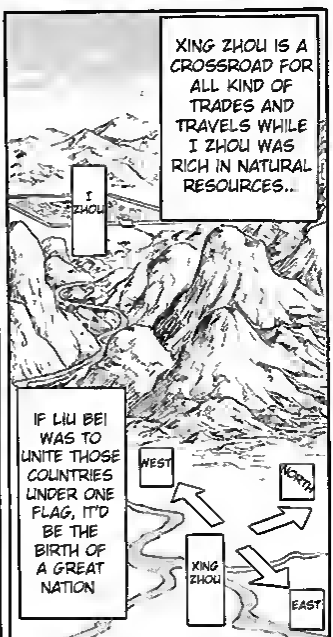
XING ZHOU IS A CROSSROAD FOR ALL KIND OF TRADES AND TRAVELS WHILE I ZHOU WAS RICH IN NATURAL RESOURCES..
I ZHOU
IF LIU BEI WAS TO UNITE THOSE COUNTRIES UNDER ONE FLAG, IT'D BE THE BIRTH OF A GREAT NATION
WEST
NORTH
XING ZHOU
EAST

OH!
ALLY THEIR FORCES TO CRUSH WEI..
LATER ON, SHU AND WU COULD EVEN...
AS IF THE FOG COVERING MY EYES WAS SUDDENLY LIFTED!
THIS IS A GREAT PLAN!
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PLEASE GUIDE ME TO UNITE CHINA!
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TEACHER, PLEASE SUPPORT ME!
PLEASE!

I'M SORRY .. I CAN'T ..
I ALREADY INVOLVED MYSELF TOO MUCH IN THE EMPEROR'S BUSINESS...
IT WOULD BE A WASTE FOR YOU NOT TO USE THIS GIFT!
YOU'RE SO GIFTED THAT EVEN AN EMPEROR WOULD NOTICE YOU!
BRO-THER!

PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING YOUR SUPPORT NOT FOR ME BUT FOR THE TORMENTED PUBLIC!
CIVILIZATIONS ADVANCE BY DESIGNING AND EXECUTING SUCH IDEALS!
YOU DEEPLY HONOR ME...
PLEASE STAND UP, MY LORD...
THERE WAS NO NEED TO GO THAT FAR...

IF MY LORD NEEDS ME...
THEN I, KONG MING, SHALL SUPPORT HIM TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITIES.
AH!
THANK YOU!

AT LAST ...
SHIRO... THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED, WASN'T IT?
WHAT A DRAG...
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WHAT COULD POSSIBLY ACCOMPLISH A YOUNGSTER THAT NEVER EVEN WENT TO WAR?
I THINK SO TOO...
AFTER THE DEATH OF OUR DRAGON STRATEGIST, I ALMOST LOST ALL HOPE. .
BUT THE HEAVENS DIDN'T ABANDON ME YET..
CAN YOU ...
REALLY CONFIRM HIS DEATH WITH CERTAINTY?
WHAT ?

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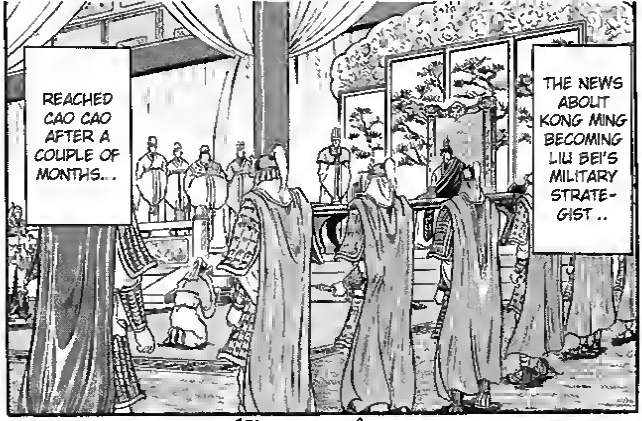
WE'LL FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THAT SOON ENOUGH.
DON'T WOR-RY...
PROBABLY STILL ALIVE SOME-WHERE ..
HE'S ...
WE'LL UNDOUBTLY NEED MASTER SHIRO'S HELP!
TO MAKE THE "THREE KING-DOMS" INTO A REALITY... NO, EVEN JUST TO END THIS ERA OF CHAOS...


REACHED CAO CAO AFTER A COUPLE OF MONTHS...
THE NEWS ABOUT KONG MING BECOMING LIU BEI'S MILITARY STRATEGIST..

HM?!
LORD CAO CAO!

DAMN HIM!
HE REJECTED MY OFFER WHEN I WENT TO HIM AND NOW...

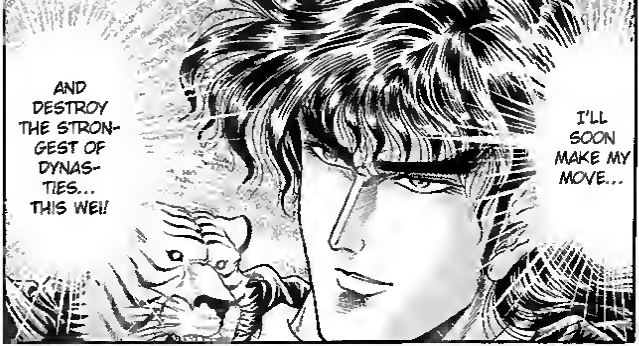
I, XIA HOU DUN...
SHALL LEAD MY TROOPS INTO BATTLE AND COLLECT THEIR HEADS!

WHEN AN ARROW HIT HIS LEFT EYE, HE ATE IT SAYING THAT IT WOULD BE A WASTE NOT TO...
XIA HOU DUN, THE MOST FEARLESS MAN OF CAO CAO'S ARMY...
AS AMBITIOUS AS EVER, HUH?
YES!
FIRST MEANS THAT WE'LL HAVE TO CRUSH LIU BEI!
CONQUERING XING ZHOU...
DON'T YOU THINK SO, DRAGON PRINCESS?

I ALSO THINK THAT COURAGE ALONE ISN'T ENOUGH...
HMM ...
BUT A SMART LEADER CAN ASSURE THE VICTORY OF HIS TROOPS.
I DON'T UNDER-STAND MUCH ABOUT WARS...
YES, MY LORD!
LI DIAN. YOU'LL GO AS WELL.
HOW IS IT?
THE REST OF YOU WILL STAND BY AND REMAIN READY AT ALL TIMES.
YES, MY LORD!
I'LL GO ALONG WITH WHAT THE MAJORITY SAYS...
OH, A WOMAN DOESN'T UNDER-STAND MUCH IN ARMY MATTERS ...

OUR GUARDIAN GODDESS SEEMS TO BE A BIT TOO HUMBLE, EVERYONE.
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO RUN AROUND AFTER THE PACK..
I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE THAT CAN GET INTO TROUBLE ..
THAT'S SO TRUE ...
THE EXISTENCE OF THE DRAGON GODDESS BECOMES MORE IMPORTANT TO WEI WITH EACH PASSING DAY...
THE OLD CAO CAO ALWAYS YELLS WHEN TALKING TO HIS PEOPLE...
CAO CAO...

THEY MAY SUFFER GREAT LOSSES...
THE ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND THE CRUX OF EVERYTHING... DOES SHIRO ALSO SEE THINGS LIKE THAT?
I CAN SEE THROUGH IT...
THE OTHER GENERALS...
WON'T BE ABLE TO HOLD BACK XIA HOU DUN'S BOLDNESS...
HMM...
GETTING EVERYONE'S SYMPATHY, AREN'T YOU?
IT'S ALL GOING AS I PLANNED IT...


AND DESTROY THE STRONGEST OF DYNASTIES... THIS WEI!
I'LL SOON MAKE MY MOVE...

XIA HOU DUN RODE TO THE BATTLEFIELD .. HE HAD 100,000 SOLDIERS WITH HIM..
YEAR 208, DURING SUMMER ..

BACK TO XING ZHOU ...
WHAT ?!
HOW MANY DID HE...
HIS ARMY IS TWICE AS BIG AS CAO REN'S!
IT'S A GOOD CHANCE!
OUR BROTHER ALWAYS SAYS THAT HE'S LIKE "FISH IN THE WATER" WITH KONG MING.
WE CAN USE THAT WATER TO PUT OFF THE FIRE!
SHIRO CRUSHED 50,000 ...
LET'S SEE WHAT KONG MING CAN DO ..
WE HAVE 5,000 SOLDIERS ..

CAO CAO... ARE YOU TESTING ME?
XIA HOU DUN HAS A HEAD COUNT OF ABOUT 100,000 SOLDIERS...
THIS BATTLE WILL BE OURS BEFORE IT EVEN STARTS!
TOO BAD FOR YOU, XIA HOU DUN, BUT...
VOLUME 2 END

HI EVERYONE!

HERE'S ANOTHER RE-MADE CHAPTER OF RYUURODEN FOR THE FANS OF THIS SERIES. LOOK FORWARD TO MORE CHAPTERS SOON.

- RAVENOUSREADER